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Dear Brethren and Sisters!

WE here put into your hands the Daily Words of the Congregation of the Brethren for the year 1772. We have purſued the ſame method in compiling them, which has been taken for ſome years paſt; and theſe are taken out of the Daily Words for the year 1770 and 1771.

May our Lord make the enſuing new year a happy year, replete with grace to the congregations of the Brethren, and to all thoſe who in their own, and our places, call upon his name in fellowſhip with us. We intreat him particularly to render theſe words of the holy ſcriptures profitable for doctrine, comfort, reproof, correction, and for inſtruction in righteouſneſs, to us and to all who make uſe of this little Book, that ſo we may be perfected in him and furniſhed to all good works.

Groſs-Hennerſdorf,
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JANUARY.

1 N. Y. Day.) THOU haſt a little ſtrength, and haſt kept my word, and haſt not denied my name. Rev. 3. 8.

Lord Jeſus Chriſt, thy death,—thy four nail-prints ſo red,—thy pierc'd, thy thro'-bor'd ſide,—the ſweat in thy deep need,—preſerve and keep thy bride,—till thou com'ſt again,—Prince of life once ſlain!

2 He doth according to his will in the army of heaven, and among the inhabitants of the earth: none can ſtay his hand, or ſay unto him, What doſt thou? Dan. 4. 35.

Self-relief be ever gone!—our dependance is that Man,—at whoſe ſovereign command—heav'n and earth do ready ſtand.

3 I will ſow them among the people, and they ſhall remember me in far countries. Zech. 10. 9.

We'll think on thy death, Jeſu dear!—thy bleeding wounds ſhall far and near—preſerve our ſouls and bodies.

4 The ſons of the ſtranger, that join themſelves to the Lord, to ſerve him, and to love the name of the Lord, to be his ſervants, will I bring to my holy mountain, and make them joyful in my houſe of prayer; their burnt-offerings and their ſacrifices ſhall be accepted upon mine altar: for

mine houſe ſhall be called an houſe of prayer for all people. Iſa. 56. 6, 7.

We have but one inheritance,—and ſerve one Lord and maſter.

Week II.

5 Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right ſpirit within me: Caſt me not away from thy preſence, and take not thy Holy Spirit from me. Reſtore unto me the joy of thy ſalvation, and uphold me with thy free Spirit. Pſalm 51. 10, 11, 12.

O ſay to thy poor creature,—"Give thy ſhame to me;—take my merit for thee,—happy thou ſhalt be!"

6 (Epiph.) The people that do know their God, ſhall be ſtrong, and do exploits. Dan. 11. 32.

We ſhall be ſuſtained:—What by Jeſu's name's implied,—ſhall be, thro' his grace, deſcried—and made evident in us.

7 Build up yourſelves in your moſt holy faith, praying in the Holy Ghoſt. Jude ver. 20.

The ground of our profeſſion—is Jeſus and his blood.

8 Thou wenteſt forth for the ſalvation of thy people. Hab. 3. 13.

Help us thy ſervants, Lord our God,—who are redeemed by thy blood.

9 I will play before the Lord who choſe me, and I will yet be more vile than thus, and will be baſe in mine own ſight. 2 Sam. 6. 21, 22.

That the tenour of our living—ſhew forth genuine thankſgiving,—and our hearts poor, little, lowly,—prove his joy and comfort wholly.

10 I ſhall put my Spirit in you, and ye ſhall live, and I ſhall place you in your own land: then ſhall ye know, that I the Lord have ſpoken it, and performed it, ſaith the Lord. Ezek. 37. 14.

What

What our Lord once hath willed,—and what is in his mind,—muſt be at laſt fulfilled,—to reach the aim deſign'd.

11 I will have reſpect unto you, and make you fruitful, and multiply you, and eſtabliſh my covenant with you. Lev. 26. 9.

Aſham'd and bluſhing we declare,—we thy inſolvent debtors are.

Week III. 1. S. aft. Epiph.

12 The Lord ſhall reign for ever, even thy God, O Zion, unto all generations. Praiſe ye the Lord. Pſalm 146. 10.

In ſuch a Lord we're happy.

13 I was with thee, whitherſoever thou wenteſt. 2 Sam. 7. 9.

In the Lord's joy we then proceed,—and all our work is bleſt indeed.

14 If ye be reproached for the name of Chriſt, happy are ye; for the ſpirit of glory and of God reſteth upon you: on their part he is evil ſpoken of, but on your part he is glorified. 1 Pet. 4. 14.

Thy church, great Saviour! bought with blood,—outcaſts of men, but dear to thee,—eſteems thy croſs a pleaſant load,—an eaſy yoke; thrice happy ſhe,—when bearing thy reproach below,—ſhe ſtill partakes of thy free grace,—which from thy wounds doth richly flow,—and all affliction's load outweighs.

15 Concerning a ſtranger, that cometh out of a far country for thy name's ſake, hear thou, and do according to all that the ſtranger calleth to thee for. 1 Kings 8. 41, 42, 43.

Friend, to bleſs us ſtill officious, ſoul's true reſt!
—let thy bleſſing be ſurpaſſing,—what minds
grieving, unbelieving, ever gueſs'd.

16 I will pour water upon him that is thirſty, and floods upon the dry ground: I will pour my Spirit upon thy ſeed, and my bleſſing upon thine offspring. Iſa. 44. 3.

And when his wounds and bruiſes,—which thro' the whole we feel,—bleſs each one with their juices,—then only all goes well.

17 Thou crowneſt the year with thy goodneſs. Pſalm 65. 11.

Shan't I ſing to my Creator?—Shan't I give him thanks and praiſe,—who, by ev'ry thing in nature,—magnifies his tender grace?

18 The earth is full of the goodneſs of the Lord. Pſalm 33. 5.

The land brings fruit and mends apace;—his word ſucceeds and proſpers.

Week IV. 2. S. aft. Epiph.

19 I bring near my righteouſneſs; it ſhall not be far off, and my ſalvation ſhall not tarry: I will place ſalvation in Zion for Iſrael my glory. Iſa. 46. 13.

Now comes the bleſt completion,—when he'll be, in each nation;—the Lord of hearts alone;—Him, only him we own.

20 Thou haſt ſaid, I know thee by name, and thou haſt alſo found grace in my ſight. Exod. 33, 12.

What wonder in the ſoul takes place—to hear and feel ſuch words of grace!

21 The bleſſings of thy father have prevailed above the bleſſings of my progenitors. Gen. 49. 26.

Now

Now ſhed on us, O God, our God,—Jeſu's laſt teſi'ment's grace;—and thro' his paſſion, death and blood,—bleſs us to th' end of days.

22 Pray for the peace of Jeruſalem, they ſhall proſper that love thee. Pſalm 122. 6.

His congregation's my joy and pleaſure.

23 Little children, abide in him; that when he ſhall appear, we may have confidence, and not be aſhamed before him at his coming. 1 John 2. 28.

Let nought prevail, nor luſt, nor fear—from thee to draw me ever;—grant that to th' end I perſevere—in faith and love, dear Saviour!

24 How great are his ſigns! and how mighty are his wonders! his kingdom is an everlaſting kingdom, and his dominion is from generation to generation. Dan. 4. 3.

Altho' ſitting at the rudder—of all heav'nly monarchies—yet thou truly art our brother.

25 O God! thou haſt taught me from my youth, and hitherto have I declared thy wonderous works. Pſalm 71. 17.

And we declare the death of Chriſt—when we enjoy the ſacrament.

Week V. 3. S. aft. Epiph.

26 Shew me a token for good. Pſalm 86. 17.

A new born ſoul how ſweet it is to view!—How does its happineſs our own renew!

27 Lift up thine eyes round about, and behold, all theſe gather themſelves together and come to thee: as I live, ſaith the Lord, thou ſhalt ſurely cloath thee with them all as with an ornament, and bind them on thee as a bride doth. Iſa. 49. 18.

We always do rejoice with him,—whene'er a precious ſtone—is, by reception in his realm,—added unto his crown.

28 The Lord taketh pleaſure in his people: he will beautify the meek with ſalvation. Pſalm 149. 4.

Lord, on thy poor and baſhful ones look gracious,—their indigence pleads for thy mercy, Jeſus!

29 Be thou exalted, Lord, in thy own ſtrength: ſo will we ſing and praiſe thy power. Pſalm 21. 13.

Our chief work be daily to preach thy ſuff'ring,—and to be ſanctify'd by that one *off'ring—in ſoul and fleſh.*

30 They ſhall fear and tremble for all the goodneſs, and for all the proſperity that I procure unto it. Jer. 33. 9.

We humbly take, ſince thou wilt give.

31 The Lord is with thee, thou mighty Man of valour. Judg. 6. 12.

With him, and in his name alone—'tis that we aught can do.

FEBRUARY.

1 HOLD not thy peace, O God of my praiſe! Pſalm 109. 1.

O thou Lamb of God, which takeſt away the ſin of the world, own us to be thine!

Week VI. 4. S. aft. Epiph.

2 (P. of M.) Thus ſaith the Lord God, When I ſhall have gathered the houſe of Iſrael from the people among whom they are ſcattered, and ſhall be ſanctified in them in the ſight of the Heathen,

Heathen, then ſhall they dwell in their land that I have given to my ſervant Jacob. Ezek. 28. 25.

O thou, whoſe goodneſs expreſs'd can't be,—lift up thy count'nance continually—on thy congregation and all her claſſes,—that our ſtreets, houſes, and all our places—be full of peace.

3 Goodneſs and mercy ſhall follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the houſe of the Lord for ever. Pſalm 23. 6.

Till at a happy hour I ſhall—within his arms and breaſt grow pale.

4 Say not, I am a child; for thou ſhalt go to all that I ſhall ſend thee; and whatſoever I command thee thou ſhalt ſpeak. Jer. 1. 7.

If any where in this time's ſpace—he poſts his child 'mongſt men,—and arms him o'er with chearfulneſs,—he is a hero then.

5 Ye ſhall not ſhout, nor make any noiſe with your voice, neither ſhall any word proceed out of your mouth, until the day I bid you ſhout, then ſhall ye ſhout. Joſh. 6. 10.

Upon the churches—the witneſs ſpirit doth reſt,—them ſilence teaches,—to weep or ſhout when beſt;—each time—they thus are glad in him.

6 For thy word's ſake, and according to thine own heart, haſt thou done all theſe great things. 2 Sam. 7. 21.

Have thanks, O Jeſu, for thy love—and great fidelity!—Grant that I may right thankful prove—here, and eternally.

7 I will bleſs the Lord at all times; his praiſe ſhall continually be in my mouth. Pſalm 34. 1.

Till

Till we with angels join to ſing,—Holy, holy is God our king!—and there behold his face ſo bright,—in endleſs joy and bliſsful light.

8 Let the ſaints be joyful in glory: Let them ſing aloud upon their beds. Pſalm 149. 5.

To th' lauds of each diurnal hour,—for all his wounds and ſuff'rings ſore,—the pulſe of each throughout the night—ſhall thankfully the Selah beat.

Week VII. 5. S. aft. Epiph.

9 O Lord, the hope of Iſrael, all that forſake thee ſhall be aſhamed, becauſe they have forſaken the Lord, the fountain of living waters. Jer. 17. 13.

Let thy hand hold us faſt—till we ſhall ſing in glory,—'Tis finiſhed! at laſt.

10 I will heal their backſlidings, I will love them freely. Hoſ. 14. 4.

He ſurely is a faithful heart,—who with ſuch zeal can love,—tho' we ſo oft cauſe him keen ſmart,—who ſhould his pleaſure prove.

11 Thy teſtimonies are my delight, and my counſellors. Pſalm 119. 24.

Thy word's a lanthorn to my feet,—my ſoul's beſt information,—my ſureſt guide the way to hit.

12 Bleſſed be God, who hath ſent his angel, and delivered his ſervants. Dan. 3. 28.

When diſtreſs moſt fierce oppreſſeth,—he finds help who him addreſſeth.

13 The law of his God is in the heart of the righteous, none of his ſteps ſhall ſlide. Pſalm 37. 30, 31.

Be thou but deep engraven,—deep in our heart's receſs;—then, while with ardour loving,—our mouth ſhall thee confeſs.

14 The Lord will not caſt off for ever; but though he cauſe grief, yet will he have compaſſion according to the multitude of his mercies; for he doth not afflict willingly, nor grieve the children of men. Lam. 3. 31, 32, 33.

His heart is mild,—with pity fill'd,—can't without tears behold us in affliction.

15 The Gentiles ſhall ſee thy righteouſneſs, and all kings thy glory: and thou ſhalt be called by a new name, which the mouth of the Lord ſhall name. Iſa. 62. 2.

Jeſus Chriſt look upon thee,—blood-bought congregation!—Thou art his, becauſe that he—purchas'd thy ſalvation.

Week VIII. Septuag.

16 Abraham ſtood yet before the Lord. Gen. 18. 22.

Thou ſo bruis'd and bleeding Head,—for each ſoul which to thee fled,—let each of us 'fore thee ſtedfaſt ſtand.

17 I the Lord have called thee in righteouſneſs, and will hold thine hand, and will keep thee, and give thee for a covenant of the people, for a light of the Gentiles; to open the blind eyes, to bring out the priſoners from the priſon, and them that ſit in darkneſs out of the priſon-houſe. Iſa. 42. 6, 7.

Who can enough the Father praiſe,—who to our ſick and wounded race—hath ſent the Son of his heart's joy,—who can our ſouls heal perfectly?

18 Ah Lord God, behold, thou haſt made the heaven and the earth by thy great power and ſtretched-out arm, and there is nothing too hard for thee. Jer. 32. 17.

Times numberleſs we this have prov'd;—when trials ſore aſſail'd, they've been remov'd.

19 He hath ſhewed his people the power of his works. Pſalm 111. 6.

Wonder without tale or end,—grace all bounds ſurpaſſing,—ſo that one th' election kind—can't enough be praiſing.

20 At the beginning of thy ſupplications the commandment came forth; for thou art greatly beloved. Dan. 9. 23.

He counts his chriſtians ſighs and tears,—he knows why they do mourn.—To him no tear too ſmall appears,—he puts it in his urn.

21 Ye younger, ſubmit yourſelves unto the elder: yea, all of you be ſubject one to another, and be cloathed with humility: for God reſiſteth the proud, but giveth grace to the humble. 1 Pet. 5. 5.

Thy poor-one may I ever be—ſtript of all ſelf-complacency!

22 Turn away mine eyes from beholding vanity: and quicken thou me in thy way. Pſalm 119. 37.

God's folk! the Lord's joy be—thy ſtrength and fulneſs:—He's gladly near to thee,—mark thou in ſtillneſs,—what in thy ſabbath's reſt—he for thee order'd.

Week IX. Sexag.

23 Do as occaſion ſhall ſerve thee, for God is with thee. 1 Sam. 10. 7.

For.

For ev'n that bleſt mood,—to do what one ſhould,—comes from the Lamb's blood.

24 The mighty God, even the Lord hath ſpoken, and called the earth from the riſing of the ſun unto the going down thereof Pſalm 50. 1.

May our call pierce thro' ev'ry heart and ear,—and when we point thee out, do thou appear.

25 My ſoul breaketh for the longing that it hath unto thy judgments at all times. Pſalm 119. 20.

Feel'ſt thou the blood-church's ardent longing,—cheek bedew'd with million tears forth thronging—from th' enamour'd church's face?

26 He ſhall give his angels charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy ways: they ſhall bear thee up, leaſt thou daſh thy foot againſt a ſtone. Pſalm 91. 11, 12.

That the old enemy – may not have pow'r, while in this vale—of miſery I live,—on me to exerciſe his ſpite,—and ſoul and body grieve.

27 Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty, God hath ſhined. Pſalm 50. 2.

And gives the world the ſaving light.

28 At thy word I will let down the net. Luke 5. 5.

Hallelujah! in the name—of him who all doth feed,—unto whoſe Yea and Amen—each creature giveth heed.

29 Who is like unto thee, O Lord, glorious in holineſs, fearful in praiſe, doing wonders! Exod. 15. 11.

Thou whom God of all worlds we own,—both by the world and thy folk known:—this to the world thy thunder ſhews,—but by thy wounds thy folk it knows.

MARCH.

Week X. Quinquag.

1 ALL thoſe things hath mine hand made, and all thoſe things have been, ſaith the Lord: but to this man will I look, even to him that is poor, and of a contrite ſpirit, and trembleth at my word. Iſa. 66. 2.

O turn thy all-reviving Face—towards my poverty, in grace.

2 This people have I formed for myſelf, they ſhall ſhew forth my praiſe. Iſa. 43. 21.

Sprinkle us with oil of gladneſs,—which doth ſpirit and fire contain:—Are we ſpent with bearing witneſs, —let grace chear us up again.

3 The Levites which were ſingers, having cymbals and pſalteries and harps, ſtood, and with them an hundred and twenty prieſts ſounding with trumpets. And it came even to paſs, the trumpeters and ſingers were as one, to make one ſound to be heard in praiſing and thanking the Lord. 2 Chron. 5. 12, 13.

O bleſs the ſinging duteous—of thy wound-holes ſo beauteous,—where'er we meet together,—with true heart's feeling ever.

4 The ſacrifices of God are a broken ſpirit: a broken and a contrite heart, O God, thou wilt not deſpiſe. Pſalm 51. 17.

To the baſhful he is kind.

5 See, I have accepted thee concerning this thing. Gen. 19. 21.

Thy mildneſs to diſcover,—and that our faith ne'er waver—that thou'rt indeed our God.

6 My people ſhall dwell in a peaceable habitation, and in ſure dwellings, and in quiet reſting-places. Iſa. 32. 18.

And

And his eye ſo friendly gives the congregations — both great and ſmall, in near or diſtan: ſtations, —to feel his heart.

7 Now the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that ye may abound in hope through the power of the Holy Ghoſt. Rom. 15. 13.

Anoint each member of thy flock—with thy ſweet glad'ning oil:—curſelves to thee we wholly give, —take ſpirit, body, and ſoul.

Week XI. 1 S. in Lent.

8 He ſhall deliver thee in ſix troubles; yea, in ſeven there ſhall no evil touch thee. Job 5. 19.

In the time of utmoſt need—God ſtep'd always in with ſpeed,—and recover'd us from ſinking.

9 I will remember the years of the right hand of the moſt High. (The right hand of the Lord can change all circumſtances. (G. T.) Pſalm 77. 10.

For all who're poor and needy,—whate'er occurs he's ready—unto their good to turn.

10 Bleſſed be the Lord God of Iſrael, from everlaſting to everlaſting: and let all the people ſay, Amen. Praiſe ye the Lord! Pſalm 106. 48.

The Lamb, who with blood our poor ſouls regained, —the Friend, who thro' love for us death-pangs ſuſtained,—is worthy of praiſes; let with one accord—all people ſay, Amen, O praiſe ye the Lord!

11 As the new heavens and the new earth which I will make, ſhall remain before me, ſaith the Lord, ſo ſhall your ſeed and your name remain. Iſa. 66. 22.

We thee thy people's cauſe confeſs—the cauſe that they now are,—the cauſe of their whole happineſs,—and all good ev'ry where.

12 When I ſit in darkneſs, the Lord ſhall be a light unto me. Mic. 7. 8.

Unto my heart a ruby ſhines,—whoſe name is Jeſus Chriſt.

13 Why are you troubled, and why do thoughts ariſe in your hearts? Luke 24. 38.

Were ſight of him allowed—I'd know him certainly,—my fleſh and bone avowed,—my Lord and my God, He!

14 Of whom the world was not worthy, they wandered in deſarts, and in mountains, and in dens, and in caves of the earth. Heb. 11. 38.

Rocks craggy, and caverns, and deſarts wild,—the iſles of the Heathen, rough waves of the ocean—are alſo become our predetermin'd ſtation.

Week XII. 2. S. in Lent.

15 Moſes endured, as ſeeing him who is inviſible. Heb. 11. 27.

I'll be alſo purely in him confiding;—and till the bleſt time of ſight's ſucceeding,—I'll walk by faith.

16 Be watchful, and ſtrengthen the things that remain, and are ready to die. Rev. 3. 2.

We now in ſpirit are agreed—on one love's bottom to be ſinking,—out of one rock-ſtream to be drinking,—and on one grace-path to proceed.

17 Then ſhall I not be aſhamed when I have reſpect unto all thy commandments. Pſalm 119. 6.

That ſound doctrine I'll abide in,—which I in the bible find,—I'll the cov'nant-word be preſſing,—which engroſſeth heart and mind.

18 I will cloath her prieſts with ſalvation, and her ſaints ſhall ſhout aloud for joy. Pſalm 132. 16.

Give thanks with all your pow'rs,—ye who with the wound's blood—begin and end your hours:—O give thanks unto God!

19 My times are in thy hand. Pſalm 31. 15.

Their importance teach thou us,—with the bounds which them incloſe,—and their ſteps, which thou alone doſt know.

20 Go ye ſwift meſſengers to a nation ſcattered and peeled, to a people terrible from the beginning hitherto: a nation meted out and trodden down, whoſe land the rivers have ſpoiled. Iſa. 18. 2.

In the nearneſs of Immanuel,—and by his Spirit and grace directed,—by thouſand angels ſafe conducted:—go then your way, and ſerve him well.

21 Behold upon the mountains the feet of him that bringeth good tidings, that publiſheth peace. Nahum 1. 15.

Peace in the heart, and in the conſcience thoroughly,—grant, O moſt Holy!

Week XIII. 3. S. in Lent.

22 The Lord before whom I walk, will ſend his angel with thee. Gen. 24. 40.

Who watches o'er his property.

23 God hath ſet ſome in the church, firſt, apoſtles, ſecondarily, prophets, thirdly, teachers, after that miracles, then gifts of healings, helps, governments, diverſities of tongues. 1 Cor. 12. 28.

O Lord, keep each ſervant—thro' pow'r of thy blood;—thy wounds make them fervent.—full of zeal good:—And for the blood-bought ſouls, who

for thee are panting,—apoſtles and evangeliſts ne'er be wanting.

24 The children of Iſrael ſhall return, and ſeek the Lord their God, and David their king, and ſhall fear the Lord and his goodneſs in the latter days. Hoſ. 3. 5.

When ſhall the veil of Moſes be burſt open?—when wilt thou come?

25 (Annunc. of M.) Glorious things are ſpoken in thee, O city of God. Pſalm 87. 3.

That thou, Jehovah, didſt appear,—and human fleſh and blood didſt wear.

26 One is your maſter, even Chriſt, and all ye are brethren. Matt. 23. 8.

At his throne adore him,—be to him faithful and true.

27 Now therefore go, and I will be with thy mouth, and teach thee what thou ſhalt ſay. Exod. 4. 12.

Vouchſafe us, Lord, thy unction,—to tell with heart's compunction—the wonders thy love does.

28 Draw nigh unto my ſoul, and redeem it. Pſalm 69. 18.

Thy bearing our tranſgreſſion—ſecur'd us from damnation:—have mercy on us, O Jeſu!

Week XIV. 4. S. in Lent.

29 I am the Lord, I change not: therefore ye ſons of Jacob are not conſumed. Mal. 3. 6.

Amen, precious amen,—deareſt Lamb of God!—Man, whoſe words are faithful,—and my ſpouſe through blood!

30 I know that my Redeemer liveth. Job 19. 25.

Joy

Joy to my heart this doth diſpenſe,—with a moſt lively confidence;—my body's ev'ry limb—takes to the grave this comfort great,—that it ſhall thence ariſe complete,—in all reſpects made like to him.

31 Thy teſtimonies have I taken as mine heritage for ever: for they are the rejoicing of my heart. Pſalm 119. 111.

Thy goſpel and its ſaving pow'r—is like pure milk and honey.

APRIL.

1 THE Lord is exalted, for he dwelleth on high: He hath filled Zion with judgment and righteouſneſs. Iſa. 33. 5.

He hath his holy ſtatutes—and judgments to us ſhewn:—yea, goodneſs without limits;—his mercy's ne'er withdrawn.

2 The Lord ſhall eſtabliſh thee an holy people unto himſelf, as he hath ſworn unto thee, if thou ſhalt keep the commandments of the Lord thy God, and walk in his ways. Deut. 28. 9.

Lamb! to thy wound's glory—let us live always.

3 Come and hear, all ye that fear God, and I will declare what he hath done for my ſoul. Pſalm 66. 16.

With patience immenſe,—with grace moſt intenſe,—he hath led me on:—I'm loſt in amazement when thinking thereon.

4 They that are far off ſhall come and build in the temple of the Lord. Zech. 6. 15.

And to Jeſus glad ſurrender—ſpirit, ſoul, and limb,—to give joy to him.

Week XV. 5. S. in Lent.

5 Many, O Lord my God, are thy wonderful works which thou haſt done, and thy thoughts which are to us-ward; none is like unto thee; I will declare and ſpeak of them, though they are more than can be numbered. G. T. Pſalm 40. 5.

Till we ſee his face, the ſubject—of his thoughts of peace ſo bleſt—will remain our deareſt object;—firm thereon our faith does reſt.

6 God hath made man upright, but they have ſought out many inventions. Eccleſ. 7. 29.

Simple mind from grace is flowing,—a wiſe way our courſe to ſhape;—which does, on the ſmall path going,—after this and that not gape.

7 As the clay is in the potter's hand, ſo are ye in mine hand, O houſe of Iſrael. Jer. 18. 6.

As thou in thine hands wiſeſt,—to turn and ſhape me pleaſeſt,—juſt ſo I want to be.

8 Our converſation is in heaven, from whence alſo we look for a Saviour, the Lord Jeſus Chriſt. Phil. 3. 20.

And with longing wait for him.

9 I will rejoice in Jeruſalem, and joy in my people, and the voice of weeping ſhall no more be heard in her, nor the voice of crying. Iſa. 65. 19.

Yet I ſhall never o'er my happineſs,—joy otherwiſe than with a bluſhing face;—'tis mere grace and mercy; remains a wonder,—and bows my heart whene'er thereon I ponder—with ſhame and love.

10 I will for their ſakes remember the covenant of their anceſtors, that I might be their God: I am the Lord. Lev. 26. 45.

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Not one of us doth doubt thereof,—that thou in love thinkeſt on us.

11 Ye are come unto mount Sion, and unto the city of the living God, the heavenly Jeruſalem, and to an innumerable company of angels, to the general aſſembly and church of the firſt-born, which are written in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the ſpirits of juſt men made perfect, and to Jeſus the Mediator of the new covenant, and to the blood of ſprinkling, that ſpeaketh better things than that of Abel. Heb. 12. 22, 23, 24.

Holy,—happy,—is that union—and communion—to us granted.

Week XVI. Palm-S.

12 Thou haſt laid thine hand upon me. (Thou holdeſt thine hand over me. G. T.) Pſalm 139. 5.

That hand which me doth hold,—will ſtill be me attending,—till I his face behold.

13 In righteouſneſs ſhalt thou be eſtabliſhed: thou ſhalt be far from oppreſſion, for thou ſhalt not fear, and from terror, for it ſhall not come near thee. Iſa. 54. 14.

Take us into thy favour,—from harm be our preſerver,—thou watchman of thy Iſrael.

14 I will make an everlaſting covenant with them, that I will not turn away from them, to do them good, but I will put my fear in their hearts, that they ſhall not depart from me. Jer. 32. 40.

May we, believing ſteady,—into thee embody,—feed always on thy merit,—thus breath forth our ſpirit,—endleſs joys t' inherit.

15 Ye miniſters of the altar, ye miniſters of my God, call a ſolemn aſſembly, gather the elders, and

and all the inhabitants of the land into the houſe of the Lord your God, and cry unto the Lord. Joel 1. 13, 14.

Be gracious unto us, O Lord God!—be gracious unto us in all our need!

16 (Maundy-Th.) Be thou a help to him from his =enemies. Deut. 33. 7.

For us was bow'd his ſacred head,—for us his fleſh was ſore tormented,—for us death, the laſt enemy—kill'd thee, and thus his power ended—O fix our heart and eyes—on this thy ſacrifice;—O that we may forget it never!—O be it always clear,—God aid in Chriſt appear,—from judgment us to free for ever.

17 (Good-Fr.) In thy name ſhall they rejoice all the day: and in thy righteouſneſs ſhall they be exalted. Pſalm 89. 6.

Grant in the bottom of my heart—thy name and bloody tree—may ſparkle ev'ry day and hour;—thus I can joyful be.

18 (Eaſter-Eve.) Go in peace: the God of Iſrael grant thee thy petition that thou haſt aſked of him. 1 Sam. 1. 17.

O! how is the heart replete with pleaſure,—now it has all that it will!—In the death of Jeſus is its treaſure,—while it feaſts it's glad and ſtill.—O embrace us, while we view thee bleeding!—Let our eyes and hearts on thee be feeding:—We are bounden to thy death,—till thou kiſſeſt hence our breath.

Week XVII. Eaſter.

19 Thus ſaith the Lord of Hoſts: he that toucheth you, toucheth the apple of his eye. Zech. 2. 8.

Death,

Death, ſin, devil, with life and grace,—he all in his hand has;—He can deliver—all who to him ſurrender.

20 Like as a father pitieth his children, ſo the Lord pitieth them that fear him. Pſalm 103. 13.

The Father grants us ſafeguard good,—the Son us waſhes in his blood,—by the Holy Ghoſt we're led and train'd—and guardian angels us attend.

21 The ſea-coaſt ſhall be dwellings and cottages for ſhepherds, and folds for flocks. Zeph. 2. 6.

He tents for us provideth,—and in our midſt reſid'th,—and is the leader of his hoſt.

22 Their Redeemer is ſtrong, the Lord of hoſts is his name; he ſhall thoroughly plead their cauſe. Jer. 50. 34.

Under the ſhadow of his grace,—early and late, ſafe is our caſe.

23 His going forth is prepared as the morning, and he ſhall come unto us as the rain; as the latter and former rain unto the earth. Hoſ. 6. 3.

O what a flow of peace and happineſs—thy heart-felt preſence to our ſouls conveys!—ſo ſweet are the comforts from thence ariſing,—that even our mortal bones are then rejoicing,—O God, in thee.

24 Sing and rejoice, O daughter of Zion: for lo, I come, and I will dwell in the midſt of thee, ſaith the Lord. Zech. 2. 10.

How ſhall I meet my Saviour?—how ſhall I welcome thee?

25 The God of heaven, he will proſper us, Neh. 2. 20.

Till each hath in his ſtation—fulfill'd his deſtination.

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Week XVIII. Quaſimodog.

26 The churches had reſt, and were edified, walking in the fear of the Lord, and in the comfort of the Holy Ghoſt. Acts 9. 31.

Happy congregation,—whoſe robes the Lamb's blood —keeps from all defilement,—and takes, by its flood,—away all corruption,—and the paſſions blind;—be thou quite conformed—to thy Huſband's mind.

27 Surely the iſles wait for me, and the ſhips in the ſea of a long time. [G. T.] Iſa. 60. 9.

Are not the Gentiles alſo—thy ſmart's reward?

28 The work of righteouſneſs ſhall be peace, and the effects of righteouſneſs, quietneſs and aſſurance for ever. Iſa. 32. 17.

Chriſt's happy flock ſweet reſt enjoy,—ſtill on their Friend they lean in peace.

29 O man, greatly beloved, fear not. Peace be unto thee, be ſtrong, yea be ſtrong. Dan. 10. 19.

Only continue my kind Lord,—ſo ſhall my future ſervice—to thy heart joy afford.

30 He forgetteth not the cry of the humble. Pſalm 9. 12.

Each has him, where he for him weeps.

MAY.

1 WILT thou not revive us again, that thy people may rejoice in thee? Pſalm 85. 6.

What bleſſedneſs! when we always—to him our hearts are turning,—then comfort never far off is,—he chears with his love burning.

2 In

2 In thee the fatherleſs findeth mercy. Hoſ. 14. 3.

In thee alone, Lord Jeſus Chriſt,—our hope on earth is placed.

Week XIX. 2. S. aft. Eaſter.

3 Their children ſhall be as aforetime, and their congregation ſhall be eſtabliſhed before me. Jer. 30. 20.

Uphold thy church with thy almighty hand,—to thy wound's glory let her 'fore thee ſtand;—in thy blood waſh'd daily more pure and holy,—and let each member ſtill be found more lowly,—and poor in heart.

4 They ſhall not hunger nor thirſt, neither ſhall the heat nor ſun ſmite them; for he that hath mercy on them ſhall lead them, even by the ſprings of water ſhall he guide them. Iſa. 49. 10. ſee Rev. 7. 16.

May he guide ſafely through this time—his ſmall flock which is here—united cloſe in love with him,—and to him very dear.

5 That which ye have, hold faſt till I come. Rev. 2. 25.

Help us to watch both day and night,—and keep this coſtly treaſure.

6 My words do good to him that walketh uprightly. Mic. 2. 7.

For upon their ſoul ſo needy,—and the cottage of their body,—after hours diſtreſs'd and cloudy,—flows the chearing wound's-oil bloody.

7 Every man that ſtriveth for the maſtery, is temperate in all things; now they do it to obtain a corruptible crown; but we an incorruptible. 1 Cor. 9. 25.

Chriſt

Chriſt to follow is our call,—thro' each thrall,—thro' reproach and trials various;—to obtain a room moſt ſpacious,—Chriſt has broken the bars all.

8 Honour thy Father and mother; which is the firſt commandment with promiſe. Eph. 6. 2.

In plaineſt term the holy ſcripture ſays,—how Jeſus to his parents ſubject was,—and how he them ſerved with ſuch ſubmiſſion,—that here his principle and preciſion—renowned grew.

9 I know thy works, and thy labour, and thy patience. Rev. 2. 2.

Think not on all our toil and ſweat,—but think that thou haſt died.

Week XX. 3. S. aft. Eaſter.

10 The Lord is my light and my ſalvation; whom ſhall I fear? The Lord is the ſtrengh of my life; of whom ſhall I be afraid? Pſalm 27. 1.

When on this I'm thinking,—then from me doth go—fear, and pain, and all things;—I myſelf melt too,—Lamb, for hope and gladneſs—o'er my lot ſo ſweet,—and that I thy future—love's look once ſhall meet.

11 The Lord ſeeth not as a man ſeeth: for man looketh on the outward appearance, but the Lord looketh on the heart. 1 Sam. 16. 7.

My poor and inſignificant endeavour—I truſt thou'lt not deſpiſe, O deareſt Saviour!—In grace I beg thou wilt from me accept it,—and not reject it.

12 Try the ſpirits, whether they are of God. 1 John 4. 1.

Should ev'n an angel down from heaven fly,—and all the force of eloquence apply,—from the croſs to lead

us to ſomething further;—we'd not diſpute with him in forta and order,—but we'd him curſe.

13 O thou afflicted, toſſed with tempeſt, and not comforted, behold, I will lay thy ſtones with fair colours, and lay thy foundation with ſapphires, and I will make thy windows of agates, and thy gates of carbuncles, and all thy borders of pleaſant ſtones. Iſa. 54. 11, 12.

Give to thy whole congregation—what 'fore theſt is comelineſs;—for her name and reputation—is thine, and thy blood's her dreſs.

14 If ye will obey my voice indeed, and keep my covenant, then ye ſhall be a peculiar treaſure unto me above all people. Exod. 19. 5.

Take of thy people true and faithful care;—make us a flock who to thee faithful are:—Let us not be halting in any matter;—may'ſt thou have with us full ſucceſs rather:—take the whole heart.

15 Of his fulneſs have we all received, and grace for grace. John 1. 16.

Thy wounds, thy all-atoning blood—are to this hour, O Lamb of God!—an ocean of free grace:—All thoſe who do to thee draw nigh,—to thee do witneſs bear with joy,—they ne'er go empty from thy face.

16 Leſt there ſhould be among you man or woman, or family, or tribe, whoſe heart turneth away this day from the Lord our God. Deut. 21. 18.

O let there not one amongſt us be,—that does not bring joy to thee,—whoſe heart is not to thy perfect mind—quite reſign'd.

17 The barrel of meal wasted not, neither did the cruse of oil fail. 1 Kings 17. 16.

Soul, body, and each power,—he was thereof Bestower,—and for their sustentation,—he spareth no donation.

18 His Name shall be in their foreheads. Rev. 22. 4.

Grant each of us till that great day,—may on his sinner-forehead—thy bloody seal display.

19 There is none like unto the God of the righteous, who rideth upon the heaven in thy help, and in his excellency on the sky. Deut. 33 26.

Thou know'st, O God, that I,—were I just now to die,—no other Saviour have.

20 The Lord thy God will circumcise thy heart, and the heart of thy seed, to love the Lord thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul. Deut. 30. 6.

We'll melt like wax away,—'fore Jesu so tormented.

21 Let all those that seek thee, rejoice and be glad in thee; and let such as love thy salvation, say continually, Let God be magnified. Psalm 70. 4.

Let glory be unto him sung—with human and angelic tongue!

22 The liberal [princely] deviseth liberal [princely] things, and by liberal things shall he stand. Isa. 32. 8.

My King! thy noble mind deep write—in heart and soul and reins and senses;—'gainst other light or pow'r's pretences—lock'd up, thine take us with it quite.

23 Thou Israel art my servant, Jacob whom I have chosen, the seed of Abraham my friend; thou whom

whom I have taken from the ends of the earth, and called thee from the chief men thereof, and ſaid unto thee, Thou art my ſervant, I have choſen thee, and not caſt thee away. Iſa. 41. 8, 9.

Who for my ſin hath ſweated,—my other Self! there haſt thou me!

Week XXII. 5 S. aft. Eaſter.

24 Of the fathers as concerning the fleſh Chriſt came, who is God over all, bleſſed for ever. Amen. Rom. 9. 5.

Thereby I'll ſtand—with life in hand:—me help afford—to bear this witneſs, Lord!

25 We are ſtrangers before thee, and ſojourners, as were all our fathers. 1 Chron. 29. 15.

Where have we our abode?—We'll go thro' earth's each border,—tho' Rechabites by order,—we reſt within the ſide of God.

26 I rejoice at thy word, as one that findeth great ſpoil. Pſalm 119. 162.

What a ſenſe of life and ſpirit—doth it to the heart convey!

27 Open ye the gates, that the righteous nation which keepeth the truth may enter in. Iſa. 26. 2.

The happy church of Chriſt—ſtands to this very day,—and choſen people daily find—to her an open way.

28 (Aſcenſion-day.) Shew forth his ſalvation from day to day. Pſalm 96. 2.

Each day, throughout our future years,—whilſt traverſing this vale of tears,—ſhall of God's torments, death and croſs,—be a true feſtival to us.

29 There failed not ought of any good thing which the Lord had ſpoken unto the houſe of Iſrael; all came to paſs. Joſhua 21. 45.

Whate'er his love for us decreed,—by him will be perform'd indeed:—He's of all worlds the ſov'reign Lord,—true as himſelf is found his word.

30 Be ſilent, O all fleſh, before the Lord: for he is raiſed up out of his holy habitation. Zech. 2. 13.

Silent let's adore him,—in the duſt ſink down before him.

Week XXIII. S. aft. Aſcenſion.

31 When the Comforter is come, whom I will ſend unto you from the Father, even the Spirit of truth, which proceedeth from the Father, he ſhall teſtify of me. John 15. 26.

What of th' Son in th' heart we know,—to his inſtruction all we owe.

JUNE.

1 I Will not reſt, until the righteouſneſs thereof [of Zion] go forth as brightneſs, and the ſalvation thereof as a lamp that burneth. Iſa. 62. 1.

Until at Jeſu's nail-prints light—the nations all bow kneeling.

2 There are diverſities of gifts; but the ſame Spirit. 1 Cor. 12. 4.

Graces and powers without bounds he giveth.

3 In your patience poſſeſs ye your ſouls. Luke 21. 19.

I unto thee, Lord Chriſt, do flee,—within thy wounds retired;—when ſtorms did blow, portending woe,—here I again reſpired.

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4 The remnant that is eſcaped out of the houſe of Judah, ſhall again take root downward, and bear fruit upward. Iſa. 37. 31.

On thy atonement's bottom—let us ſtill grow and bloſſom,—and daily be producing—ſweet fruits unto thee p'eaſing.

5 Exhort one another daily, while it is called to-day; leſt any of you be hardened through the deceitfulneſs of ſin. Heb. 3. 13.

To the wounds bloody—commend we our ſpirit, and ſoul and body,—till we him ſee.

6 Ye ſhall have a ſong, as in the night when a holy ſolemnity is kept, and gladneſs of heart. Iſa. 30. 29.

The Holy Ghoſt and comforter—with worſhip true praiſe and revere.

Week XXIV. Whitſunday.

7 Thy God hath commanded thy ſtrength: (eſtabliſhed thy kingdom, G. T.) Strengthen, O God, that which thou haſt wrought for us. Pſalm 68. 28.

Daily, God Holy Ghoſt! we praiſe—and thank thee, with deep bowedneſs,—that thou doſt fill with goſpel-ſound—the earth's whole compaſs all around.

8 I will make her that was caſt far off, a ſtrong nation, and the Lord ſhall reign over them in mount Zion from henceforth even for ever. Micah 4. 7.

The Lord hath done great things for us;—we can't refrain our thanks to render,—but teſtify with love-tears tender,—the Lord hath done great things for us.

9 They ſhall come with weeping, and with ſupplications will I lead them: I will cauſe them to

walk by the rivers of waters, in a ſtraight way, wherein they ſhall not ſtumble. Jer. 31. 9.

He leads them with a mother's care,—'midſt diſmal dangers guards from fear.—Give to our God the glory!

10 Awake, awake, put on thy ſtrength, O Zion; put on thy beautiful garments, O Jeruſalem, the holy city. Iſa. 52. 1.

We pray thee, O God Holy Ghoſt!—that thou for th' ſake of Jeſus,—ſo as thou beſt thyſelf it know'ſt,—would'ſt cleanſe, adorn and bleſs us.

11 They got not the land in poſſeſſion by their own ſword, neither did their own arm ſave them: but thy right hand, and thine arm, and the light of thy countenance, becauſe thou hadſt a favour unto them. Pſalm 44. 3.

Lord Jeſu, be thou prais'd eternally!—if there no Jeſus was, where ſhould we be?

12 Thou ſhalt bring them in, and plant them in the mountain of thine inheritance, in the place, O Lord, which thou haſt made for thee to dwell in, in the ſanctuary, which thy hands have eſtabliſhed. Exod. 15. 17.

We ſurely are a work of thy own hand,—thy ſouls on whom thou'ſt deign'd thy blood to ſpend,—by thy Holy Spirit to thee directed,—a covenant-people, by free grace elected—to endleſs bliſs.

13 I profeſs this day unto the Lord my God, that I am come unto the country, which the Lord ſware unto our fathers for to give us. Deut. 26. 3.

God's dear Lamb in purple dy'd,—in his figure bloody,—'midſt us walks, and ſhews his ſide—to the church his body.

Week

Week XXV. Trinity-S.

14 The Lord did not ſet his love upon you, nor chooſe you, becauſe you were more in number than any people, (for ye were the feweſt of all people) but becauſe the Lord loved you. Deut. 7. 7, 8.

O Being moſt gracious, whom angels adore,—thou tak'ſt thy delight in things worthleſs and poor.

15 I will give them one heart, and one way, that they may fear me for ever, for the good of them and of their children after them. Jer. 32. 39.

God Holy Ghoſt ſweet Comforter!—give thy folk one mind ev'ry where;—and let our ſouls as bees be found,—feeding on Jeſu's ev'ry wound.

16 Remember the word that I ſaid unto you: The ſervant is not greater than the lord; if they have perſecuted me, they will alſo perſecute you: if they have kept my ſayings, they will keep yours alſo. John 15. 20.

The congregation follows thus the Lamb,—where'er he goes, thro' honour and thro' ſhame:—Counts herſelf moſt happy, if ſhe is favour'd—to bear theſe ſuff'rings, which are ſtill favour'd—with the Lamb's joy.

17 Set me as a ſeal upon thine heart, as a ſeal upon thine arm. Cant. 8. 6.

Hear with awe, O church, the words rehearſed—of Chriſt thy Creator bleſt,—the Arch-Prieſt, whoſe heart was once thro' pierced,—who is too thy faithful hoſt:—Daughter! ſays he, keep in thy ſweet ſtillneſs!—Peace he gives thee out of his love's fulneſs;—bluſh, when he exalteth thee;—he lives for thee, joyful be!

18 Seek the peace of the city, whither I have cauſed you to be carried away, and pray unto the Lord for it: for in the peace thereof ſhall ye have peace. Jer. 29. 7.

Kindly bleſs each land and place,—where we have our awelling.

19 O Lord, thou haſt pleaded the cauſes of my ſoul, thou haſt redeemed my life. Lam. 3. 58.

And ſo can I ſay, My good luck is endleſs:—Who is like thee? cries my no more friendleſs—body and ſoul.

20 The ſword of the Lord and Gideon. Judg. 7. 20.

The devils cannot my way bar,—to watch I'm help'd by angels dear:—Ye brethren, love me ſtill!—Ye foes, let me love you howe'er!—Ye fellow-helpers, help me here:—my working is from no ſelf-will.

Week XXVI. 1 S. aft. Trin.

21 Thus ſaith the Lord: As the new wine is found in the cluſter, and one ſaith, Deſtroy it not, for a bleſſing is in it; ſo will I do for my ſervants ſakes, that I may not deſtroy them all. Iſa. 65. 8.

They are a brow of grace, thy love—and favour to the world to prove.

22 What time I am afraid, I will truſt in thee. Pſalm 56. 3.

While thou me doſt cover,—I'm ſafe from the power—of all hoſtile rage.

23 I will never forget thy precepts, for with them thou haſt quickened me, Pſalm 119. 93.

Thy word let always be my food,—whereby my ſoul is nouriſh'd.

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24 (St. John B.) Even to your old age I am he, and even to hoar hairs will I carry you: I have made, and I will bear, even I will carry and will deliver you. Isa. 46. 4.

So therefore we, till heaven's coast we gain,—like happy children, will with thee remain:—what tho' tears sometimes the cheeks be wetting,—yet if the heart's but comfort from thee getting,—we're glad and well.

25 There shall not any man be able to stand before thee all the days of thy life. Josh. 1. 5.

Till all thy counsel with us is done.

26 O Lord, how great are thy works, and thy thoughts are very deep. Psalm 92. 5.

View I this,—all my senses are astonish'd,—and my thoughts melt down unfinish'd,—thine are such a love's abyss.

27 Therefore will I divide him a portion with the great, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong; because he hath poured out his soul unto death: and he was numbered with the transgressors, and he bare the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors. Isa. 53. 12.

O Father, bless, O bless anew—thy dear Son's sweat and bitter toil.

Week XXVII. 2 S. aft. Trin.

28 Let us not be weary in well-doing, for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not. Gal. 6. 9.

'Cause he for little faithfulness—gives great reward.

29 The Lord is in his holy temple, let all the earth keep silence before him. Hab. 2. 20.

Tears from the eyes are flowing,—the heart with love's flame glowing,—the senses melt away:—Lamb, thou'rt our all, we say.

30 From

30 From the uttermoſt part of the earth have we heard ſongs, even glory to the righteous. Iſa. 24 16.

Amen! may we have ever—the joy, and God the honour:—O may to one faith tuned,—all languages be joined.

JULY.

1 HE will bleſs them that fear the Lord, both ſmall and great. Pſalm 115. 13.

The grace of Chriſt our Lord and God,—the love of God our Father good,—the Spirit's fellowſhip daily be—renew'd and felt moſt ſenſibly.

2 (Viſit. of M.) Deliver me from the oppreſſion of man, ſo will I keep thy precepts. Pſalm 119. 134.

When we're in need, O help us thro'.

3 Bleſſed ſhalt thou be when thou comeſt in, and bleſſed ſhalt thou be when thou goeſt out. Deut. 28. 6.

He order'd it by grace ſo free,—I ſhould a happy creature be.

4 Should not a people ſeek unto their God? [enquire of their God, G. T.] Iſa. 8. 19.

Thou'rt indeed our Light and Star.

Week XXVIII. 3 S. aft. Trin.

5 Bleſſed is the man, whoſe delight is in the law of the Lord, and who in his law doth meditate day and night. Pſalm 1. 1, 2.

Spirit of Jeſus!—deep in our hearts engrave the truths ſo precious—therein contained.

6 Be

6 Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life. Rev. 2. 10.

O Lord, prepare us thro' thy grace,—and ſtrengthen the fleſh's feebleneſs,—that we may, after fighting bravely.—thro' death and life come to thee ſafely. Hallelujah.

7 And now, Iſrael, what doth the Lord thy God require of thee, but to fear the Lord thy God, to walk in all his ways, and to love him, and to ſerve the Lord thy God with all thy heart and with all thy ſoul, to keep the commandments of the Lord and his ſtatutes, which I command thee this day for thy good? Deut. 10. 12, 13.

What one performs for thee,—ſhall his own profit be;—thou of our gifts haſt no occaſion:—Thou doſt on us beſtow—life and ſalvation too,—thou get'ſt by us no acquiſition.

8 Be ye ſtrong therefore, and let not your hands be weak; for your work ſhall be rewarded. 2 Chron. 15. 7.

If one but can do ſome good thing,—one does it glad and thanks one's King.

9 When I ſaw the glory of the Lord, I fell upon my face, and I heard a voice of one that ſpake. Ezek. 1. 28.

Ye ſouls, ſink down before our Lord—with love and awful reverence!

10 Every creature which is in heaven, and on the earth, and under the earth, and ſuch as are in the ſea, and all that are in them, heard I [John] ſaying, Bleſſing and honour, and glory, and power, be unto him that ſitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb, for ever and ever. Rev. 5. 13.

To the Father's glory,—ſay, ye creatures, on your knees:—Lord Jeſu, have mercy!

11 Remember

11 Remember mine affliction and my misery. My ſoul tells me, that thou wilt have them in remembrance. Lam. 3. 19, 20. G. T.

O how friendly does he look!—ſpeaks he not to thoſe in trouble—comfortable?—and his object evermore —are the poor.

Week XXIX. 4 S. aft. Trin.

12 My voice ſhalt thou hear in the morning, O Lord; in the morning will I direct my prayer unto thee, and will look up. Pſalm 5. 3.

O Jeſu bleſt,—my ſoul's true reſt!—this ſuit be only granting,—that I till to my grave may ſtill for thee be panting.

13 Deal with thy ſervant according unto thy mercy, and teach me thy ſtatutes. Pſalm 119. 24.

Mary's place, thy feet,—is my fav'rite ſeat.

14 Let us ſearch and try our ways, and turn again to the Lord. Lam. 3. 40.

To ſuch the King will give a kiſs of love,—who, at a loſs which way to turn or move,—fly to a private place,—and cry for a new ſpark of grace.

15 After two days will he revive us. Hoſ. 6. 2.

Often after a dark morning, —or an anxious diſmal night.

16 No man can ſay that Jeſus is the Lord (Jehovah) but by the Holy Ghoſt. 1 Cor. 12. 3.

Give us thy ſhine, O thou precious Light!

17 It is God which worketh in you, both to will and to do of his good pleaſure. Phil. 2. 13.

O! all whate'er I am or do,—'tis grace I muſt aſcribe it to,—grace can the ſame to me maintain.

18 Surely

18 Surely, they are my people, children that will not lie: So he was their Saviour. In all their affliction he was afflicted, and the angel of his presence ſaved them: In his love and in his pity he redeemed them, and he bare them, and he carried them all the days of old. Iſa. 63. 8, 9.

Can ſinners be ſo greatly lov'd,—who have ſo painful to thee prov'd?

Week XXX. 5 S. aft. Trin.

19 Thou haſt wrought all our works for us. Iſa. 26. 12.

Here ſtand I with eyes ſtreaming,—yet joyful that I am,—and feel the peace that's beaming—from th' ſuff'rings of my Lamb.

20 The Lord our God be with us, as he was with our fathers; let him not leave us, nor forſake us: that he may incline our hearts unto him, to walk in all his ways, and to keep his commandments, and his ſtatutes, and his judgments, which he commanded our fathers. 1 Kings 8. 57, 58.

Head, thy body ne'er forſake,—ne'er thy congregation leave,—who nought has but thy free grace,—whereby ſhe alone doth live.

21 Thou dreweſt near in the day that I called upon thee: Thou ſaidſt, Fear not. Lam. 3. 57.

Thy Spirit chears my ſpirit—with many a ſav'ry word.

22 I will walk within my houſe with a perfect heart. Pſalm 101. 2.

Make my heart and eyes with tears run over,—when I a ſmall unfaithfulneſs diſcover;—then ſtep before me—with peace, to ſerenity reſtore me.

23 I will defend this city to ſave it, for my own ſake. 2 Kings 19. 34.

Which on that word, the ſmall word, Blood.—(of all good the beginning)—ſunk, from the firſt, as on ground good—leaves aid to th' watchman's ſkreening.

24 Ye are dead, and your life is hid with Chriſt in God: When Chriſt, who is our life, ſhall appear, then ſhall ye alſo appear with him in glory. Col. 3. 3, 4.

His people wait to ſee his face,—they love his bleſt appearing:—Amen! when ſhall it once take place?

25 How excellent is thy loving-kindneſs, O God! therefore the children of men put their truſt under the ſhadow of thy wings. They ſhall be abundantly ſatisfied with the fatneſs of thy houſe: and thou ſhalt make them drink of the river of thy pleaſure. Pſalm 36. 7, 8.

Bleeding wounds, ſprings of ſalvation!—raiſe the ſpirit of exultation,—with the unreſtrain'd emotion—of true childlike love's devotion.

Week XXXI. 6 S. aft. Trin.

26 In thoſe days the houſe of Judah ſhall walk with the houſe of Iſrael, and they ſhall come together out of the land of the North, to the land that I have given for an inheritance unto your fathers. Jer. 3. 18.

To run with hearts childlike at length be adviſed,—and be in the ſea of his mercies baptized.

27 Both he that ſanctifieth, and they who are ſanctified, are all of one; for which cauſe he is not aſhamed to call them Brethren. Heb. 2. 11.

How is man, that worm ſo feeble,—now by God ſo highly prized!

28 In the way of thy judgments, O Lord, have we waited for thee: the desire of our soul is to thy name, and to the remembrance of thee. Isa. 26. 8.

Send your heart there speedily—where you ever wish to be.

29 Remember, Lord, the reproach of thy servants; how do I bear in my bosom the reproach of all the mighty people; wherewith thine enemies have reproached, O Lord, wherewith they have reproached the footsteps of thine anointed. Psalm 89. 50, 51.

Th' affair is thine, Lord Jesus Christ,—the honour and disgrace.

30 He will regard the prayer of the destitute, and not despise their prayer. Psalm 102. 17.

O let our heart's confidence—towards thee never leave us.

31 I will sing of mercy and judgment: unto thee, O Lord, will I sing. Psalm 101. 1.

I pray, despise not my poor hymn,—which I sing to thee, Jesu!

AUGUST.

1 GO ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature. Mark 16. 15.

Let us but thy cross-congregation be,—and of this witness bear most chearfully.

Week XXXII. 7 S. aft. Trin.

2 Prayer shall be made ever unto him, and daily shall he be praised. Psalm 72. 15.

Praise him with heart and voices,—since he does give us pow'r:—The hour one on him muses,—that's a thrice happy hour.

3 Keep thy heart with all diligence; for out of it are the iſſues of life. Prov. 4. 23.

I claim thee for my keeper.

4 Every one with one of his hands wrought in the work, and with the other hand held a weapon. Nehem. 4. 17.

Here is our hand! moſt glad will we—thy helpers in all hardſhips be,—until we once together reſt.

5 We know not what to do, but our eyes are upon thee. 2 Chron. 20. 1.

Commend to thee our each concern.

6 He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit ſaith unto the churches. Rev. 2. 7.

Grant, O Holy Ghoſt, to thee—that our ſpirit liſtning be.

7 Surely men of low degree are vanity, and men of high degree are a lie; to be laid in the balance, they are altogether lighter than vanity. Pſ. 62. 9.

Thou, and thou only, art my truſt and ſuccour,—I know no other.

8 They joy before thee, according to the joy in harveſt. Iſa. 9. 3.

The men and the angels, all gaze at that man—with joy exceeding all meaſure.—O happy, thrice happy, quite happy, who can—find in him their paſture with pleaſure.

Week XXXIII. 8 S. aſt. Trin.

9 I have ſomewhat againſt thee, becauſe thou haſt left thy firſt love. Remember, therefore, from whence thou art fallen, and repent, and do the firſt works. Rev. 24. 5.

O Jeſu, ſource of grace!—I ſeek thy loving face,—upon thy invitation,—with deep humiliation:—

O let

O let thy blood me cover,—and waſh me clean all over.

10 Let brotherly love continue. Heb. 13. 1.

For God hath us before—all worlds to love appointed.

11 I will look unto the Lord, I will wait for the God of my ſalvation; my God will hear me. Micah 7. 7.

He's at no loſs for means.

12 Thus ſaith the Lord that made thee, and formed thee from the womb, which will help thee: Fear not, O Jacob my ſervant, and thou Jeſhurun [righteous] whom I have choſen. Iſa. 44. 2.

How happy are thy famil,!—how praiſe they thee their Lover!—What mayn't be done thro' faith in thee!—there's in it endleſs power.

13 Sing unto the Lord, for he hath done excellent things: this is known in all the earth. Iſa. 12. 5.

Bloody Reconciler,—thy croſs-church's Healer!—If times numberleſs—we thy feet embraced,—wept them wet and kiſſed—for electing grace;—yet we nought—thereby had wrought.

14 Juſtice and judgment are the habitation [eſtabliſhment] of thy throne: mercy and truth ſhall go before thy face. Pſalm 89. 14.

Who is like thee, who?—ſweeteſt reſt, Jeſu!

15 Take good heed unto yourſelves, that ye love the Lord your God. Joſh. 23. 11.

We pray thee, grant us but the grace,—to embrace thee day and night—with our ſouls' whole pow'r and might.

Week XXXIV. 9 S. aft. Trin.

16 The Lord thy God in the midſt of thee is mighty; he will ſave, he will rejoice over thee with joy,

he will reſt in his love, he will joy over thee with ſinging. Zeph. 3. 17.

O how I bluſh for ſhame!

17 The Lord of hoſts muſtereth the hoſt of the battle. Iſa. 13. 4.

He ſure muſt win the battle.

18 Now the Lord of peace himſelf give you peace always, by all means. 2 Theſſ. 3. 16.

In Jeſus Chriſt his peace,—who our heart's pleaſure is,—dwell our congregations.

19 Drop down, ye heavens, from above, and let the ſkies pour down righteouſneſs: let the earth open, and let them bring forth ſalvation, and let righteouſneſs ſpring up together: I the Lord have created it. Iſa. 45. 8.

Bleſs us with all the bleſſings of thy blood;—o'erſtream us quite with that atoning flood.

20 I will turn to the people a pure language, that they may all call upon the name of the Lord, to ſerve him with one conſent. Zeph. 3. 9.

O could we in this time of grace,—with blood's pow'r ev'ry region—to the diſcipleſhip perſuade,—to th' croſs and love of Jeſus,—and warm (as we of Emmaus read)—the hearts with that flame precious.

21 In thoſe days, and at that time, ſaith the Lord, the iniquity of Iſrael ſhall be ſought for, and there ſhall be none; and the ſins of Judah, and they ſhall not be found. Jer. 50. 20.

'Cauſe Jeſus hath bury'd them in his grave.

22 Hear this word that the Lord hath ſpoken, O children of Iſrael: You only have I known of all the families of the earth. Amos 3. 1, 2.

Now to all men whatever,—who wait to taſte thy favour,—we can of free grace preach.

Week

Week XXXV. 10 S. aft. Trin.

23 Whatſoever ye do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jeſus, giving thanks to God and the Father by him. Coloſſ. 3. 17.

Then all our motions ev'ry where—will be bleſt liturgies.

24 Save, Lord; let the King hear us when we call. Pſalm 20. 9.

And let our ſouls ever be ſo diſpoſed,—thro' love as well as when with need preſſed,—to look to thee.

25 Be not now negligent, for the Lord hath choſen you to ſtand before him, and that you ſhould miniſter unto him and burn incenſe. 2 Chron. 29. 11.

The hands for bleſſing ready.

26 Let the Lord be magnified, which hath pleaſure in the proſperity of his ſervant; and my tongue ſhall ſpeak of thy righteouſneſs, and of thy praiſe, all the day long. Pſalm 35. 27, 28.

Whilſt there is breath in us—we'll bleſs and praiſe his croſs.

27 The earth ſhall be full of the knowledge of the Lord, as the waters cover the ſea. Iſa 11. 9.

Which way we turn our eyes, both far and near,—the glory of the Lord doth there appear.

28 I pray for them, that they all may be one, as thou, Father, art in me, and I in thee, that they alſo may be one in us. John 17. 20, 21.

Give us ſuch love's impreſſion—in this ſtate, that thy faſhion,—thou Love tri-une! therein be ſhewn.

29 Be not carried about with divers and ſtrange doctrines: for it is a good thing that the heart be eſtabliſhed with grace. Heb. 13. 9.

His look of grace makes day by day—my lot of grace ſtill ſurer.

Week

Week XXXVI. 11 S. aft. Trin.

30 For the oppreſſion of the poor, for the ſighing of the needy, now will I ariſe, ſaith the Lord, I will ſet him in ſafety. Pſalm 12. 5.

Thou doſt deliver—them in all their diſtreſs:—thou art their Saviour;—whate'er them may oppreſs,—victory—they ſtill obtain in thee.

31 I looked, and behold, the glory of the Lord filled the houſe of the Lord, and I fell upon my face. Ezek. 44. 4.

That ſo intolerable flaſh,—(which caus'd death's inſtant dread)—grows ſoft in the focus of Chriſt's gaſh,—his morn's and ev'ning's red.

SEPTEMBER.

1 THE grace of our Lord Jeſus Chriſt, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Ghoſt, be with you all. 2 Cor. 13. 14.

Amen, Hallelujah! Hallelujah!—Amen, Hallelujah.

2 Is Ephraim, my dear ſon? is he a pleaſant child? for ſince I ſpake againſt him, I do earneſtly remember him ſtill: therefore my bowels are troubled for him; I will ſurely have mercy upon him, ſaith the Lord. Jer. 31. 20.

Had not my dear Saviour—ſuch an heart and flame,—that poor ſouls, his purchaſe—he cannot forſake,—he e'er now had taken—his grace from me back.

3 I commune with mine own heart, and my ſpirit made diligent ſearch. Pſalm 77. 6.

On Jeſu's croſs and wounds fixing my meditation,—placing my ſole delight in feeding on his paſſion.

4 The

4 The remnant that is eſcaped, ſhall yet again take root downward, and bear fruit upward. 2 Kings 19. 30.

Remain ye his ſinners! th' event's unerring,—that unto God ye ſhall fruit be bearing,—thro' him on th' croſs.

5 Prove me now herewith, ſaith the Lord of hoſts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a bleſſing, that there ſhall not be room enough to receive it. Mal. 3. 10.

The counſel of thy love we praiſe,—thou of all gifts, the Father,—who always has beſtow'd more grace —than we did aſk in prayer.

Week XXXVII. 12 S. aft. Trin.

6 My ſalvation is near to come, and my righteouſneſs to be revealed. Iſa. 56. 1.

The Sun of grace is riſing,—his beams, O how rejoicing!—They make of undone ſinners—life's happy heirs and winners.

7 Now let it pleaſe thee to bleſs the houſe of thy ſervant, that it may be before thee for ever: for thou bleſſeſt, O Lord, and it ſhall be bleſſed for ever. 1 Chron. 17. 27.

Now pour out all that favour,—which in thy loving —and kind heart for us is moving.

8 Defile not the land which ye ſhall inhabit, and wherein I dwell: for I the Lord dwell among the children of Iſrael. Numb. 35. 34.

Let none of us in any place—bring on thy Name the leaſt diſgrace,—but rather let our walk to thee— a real joy and honour be.

9 The peace of God, which paſſeth all underſtanding, ſhall keep your hearts and minds thro' Chriſt Jeſus. Phil. 4. 7.

Give us thy peace, O Jeſu! O Jeſu!

10 Behold

10 Behold the Lamb of God which taketh away the ſin of the world. John 1. 29.

Thouſand, thouſand thanks to thee,—deareſt Lord! for ever be.

11 Order my ſteps in thy word, and let not any iniquity have dominion over me. Pſalm 119. 133.

Take ſoul and body in thy arm,—and O preſerve them from all harm.

12 God is not aſhamed of them to be called their God. Heb. 11. 16.

To God on high all glory be,—and thanks that he's ſo gracious.

Week XXXVIII. 13 S. aft. Trin.

13 Sing with gladneſs, praiſe ye, and ſay, O Lord, ſave thy people Jer. 31. 7.

The King doth juſtice, and protects—who in his kingdom ſojourn.

14 We wait for thy loving kindneſs, O God, in the midſt of thy temple. Pſalm 48. 9.

Plenteouſly,—thro' thy goodneſs unexhauſted,—are our hearts and minds ſtill feaſted,—when they longing pant for thee.

15 I will be unto her a wall of fire round about, ſaith the Lord, and will be the glory in the midſt of her. Zech. 2. 5.

As long as Jeſus Lord remains,—each day new riſing glories gains.

16 One day in thy courts is better than a thouſand. I had rather be a door-keeper in the houſe of my God, than to dwell in the tents of wickedneſs. Pſalm 84 10.

How amiable—thy habitations are,—wherein aſſemble—thy chriſtian people dear,—O Lord!—thy praiſes to record.

17 The

17 The heathen that are left round about you, ſhall know that I the Lord build the ruined places, and plant that that was deſolate. I the Lord have ſpoken it, and I will do it. Ezek. 36. 36.

He keeps his word with pleaſure.

18 The Lord maketh poor, and maketh rich; he bringeth low and lifteth up. 1 Sam. 2. 7.

Whilſt I have thee, I have howe'er—what me eternally can chear.

19 Boaz ſaid, The Lord be with you! and they anſwered him, The Lord bleſs thee! Ruth 2. 4.

O may he cauſe his peace to reſt—upon his Iſrael;—may what we do, by him be bleſt;—may all ranks his grace feel.

Week XXXIX. 14 S. aft. Trin.

20 Thou ſhalt be called, The repairer of the breach, the reſtorer of paths to dwell in. Iſa. 58. 12.

Tho' but a little I can do,—yet I would willingly—do that which he likes to have done,—and that's enough for me.

21 As one whom his mother comforteth, ſo will I comfort you; and ye ſhall be comforted in Jeruſalem. And when ye ſee this, your hearts ſhall rejoice, and your bones ſhall flouriſh like an herb. Iſa. 66. 13, 14.

Grant alſo to our earthly houſe—ſtrength, vigour for thy proper uſe;—let our whole life be like a tree—verdant and bearing fruit to thee.

22 If any man ſin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jeſus Chriſt the righteous. 1 John 2. 1.

O my Lord Jeſu! wert thou not my Saviour,—whoſe blood doth plead for me a ſinner ever,—where ſhould I, pooreſt among all the needy,—find place to hide me.

23 Sing

23 Sing praiſes to the Lord, which dwelleth in Zion: declare among the people his doings. Pſalm 9. 11.

O greateſt King, whoſe pow'r is uncontrouled,—how can thy mercy be enough extolled?

24 I will make with them a covenant of peace, and will cauſe the evil beaſts to ceaſe out of the land, and they ſhall dwell ſafely in the wilderneſs and ſleep in the woods. Ezek. 34. 25.

Like children, whom the parent—from hurt doth keep and warrant.

25 Judah and Iſrael dwelt ſafely, every man under his vine and under his fig-tree. 1 Kings 4. 25.

For the ſake of that peace which we have with thee, let us alſo find peace with the reſt of mankind.

26 Be not a terror unto me; thou art my hope in the day of evil. Jer. 17. 17.

Thy bright countenance—ſtands turn'd to poor ſinners with ſoftened glance.

Week XL. 15 S. aft. Trin.

27 Behold, he that keepeth Iſrael, ſhall neither ſlumber nor ſleep. Pſalm 121. 4.

Elſe, what would become of body and of ſoul?

28 Lord, thou haſt been favourable unto thy land: thou haſt brought back the captivity of Jacob. Pſalm 85. 1.

Lord, thou'rt as rich, in theſe our days,—and good, as thou haſt been always.

29 (St. Mich.) All the ends of the world ſhall remember, and turn unto the Lord: and all the kindreds of the nations ſhall worſhip before thee; for

for the kingdom is the Lord's, and he is the governor among the nations. Pſalm 22. 27, 28.

Ye mighty angels, proclaim his praiſe,—ſerve, at the ſame time, to the great Lord's honour,—and preſs his holy word.

30 The Lord bleſs thee and keep thee; the Lord make his face ſhine upon thee, and be gracious unto thee; the Lord lift up his countenance upon thee, and give thee peace. Numb. 6. 24, 25, 26.

In the Name of Jeſus; Amen.

OCTOBER.

1 THE Lord ſhall ſend the rod of thy ſtrength [ſceptre of thy kingdom] out of Zion: rule thou in the midſt of thine enemies. Pſalm 110. 2.

Till ſatan and his kingdom low,—as conquer'd at his footſtool bow.

2 Be of good comfort, thy faith hath made thee whole; go in peace. Luke 8. 48.

Thou ſhalt thyſelf my peace eternal be;—I wrap myſelf up in thy grace ſo free;—my element is only thy great mercy.

3 The Lord hath given me my petition, which I aſked of him. 1 Sam. 1. 27.

He, who calls us his own,—bequeath'd himſelf unto us—in the holy communion.

Week XLI. 16 S. aft. Trin.

4 His enemies will I cloath with ſhame, but upon himſelf ſhall his crown flouriſh. Pſalm 132. 18.

O crown us with thy mercies.

5 The Lord ſpake unto Moſes face to face, as a man ſpeaketh unto his friend. Exod. 33. 11.

May I—for me—ſuch communion,—friendſhip, uni—e'er be craving!

6 Jacob ſhall return, and be in reſt and at eaſe, and none ſhall make him afraid. Jer. 46. 27.

Since in the rock-cleft ſits the dove,—and that Lion her guard doth prove.

7 Behold, the darkneſs ſhall cover the earth, and groſs darkneſs the people: but the Lord ſhall ariſe upon thee, and his glory ſhall be ſeen upon thee. Iſa 60. 2.

What lightſome rays—dart from our face,—when in our heart he dwelleth!—This bright Sun of righteouſneſs—all dark clouds diſpelleth.

8 Hear, all ye people; hearken, O earth, and all that therein is, and let the Lord God be witneſs againſt you, [the Lord hath ſomething to ſay unto you, G. T.] the Lord from his holy temple. Mic. 1. 2.

Deareſt Jeſu! we are here,—thy good words to hear, yea meet thee.

9 Things which are not convenient [becoming] let them not be once named amongſt you; but rather giving of thanks, G. T. Eph. 5. 3, 4.

If a ſinful thought would ſtart,—then I think upon thy ſmart,—which forbids effectually—me with ſin to jeſt or dally.

10 If thou wilt walk in my ſtatutes, and execute my judgments, and keep all my commandments, to walk in them; then will I perform my word with thee. 1 Kings 6. 12.

To him who hath bought us, ourſelves we will give; —to him who redeem'd us, with joy we will live.

Week

Week XLII. 17 S. aft. Trin.

11 Thine iniquity is accompliſhed, [hath an end] O daughter of Zion. Lam. 4. 2.

Thy ſin he effaces with his own blood,—he ends what diſgraces or hurt thee could.

12 He that is mighty hath done to me great things, and holy is his Name. Luke 1 49.

Forget it never, O my heart!

13 His glory covered the heavens, and the earth was full of his praiſe. Hab. 3. 3.

Amen, thy church here and above do ſing,—be it, and ſhall remain our God and King;—and his bi ter ſuff'ring the ſ le foundation,—why betwixt him and us no ſeparation—ſhall e'er take place.

14 The meek alſo ſhall increaſe their joy in the Lord, and the poor among men ſhall rejoice in the holy One of Iſrael. Iſa 29. 19.

For there's unexpreſſed—pow'r in poverty.

15 Jacob ſaid: I have ſeen God face to face, and my life is preſerved Gen. 32. 30.

To thee my eyes I'm raiſing,—and my election ſee.—thee in my heart embracing,—I'd do it conſtantly.

16 Iſrael ſhall dwell in ſafety alone. Deut. 33. 28.

Make us thy garden el ſe ſhut up.

17 I will appoint a place for my people Iſrael, and will plant them, that they may dwell in a place of their own, and move no more; neither ſhall the children of wickedneſs afflict them any more, as before time 2 Sam. 7. 10.

Around us all both ſmall and great,—thy angels be as watchers ſet,—care for and aid us conſtantly,—let a ſtrong guard around us be—continually.

18 The very God of peace ſanctify you wholly; and I pray God your whole ſpirit and ſoul and body be preſerved blameleſs unto the coming of our Lord Jeſus Chriſt. 1 Theſſ. 5. 23.

That no thought ſpring,—no ſmalleſt hankering,—which, while below I ſtay,—my other Self! from thee—might ſtray.

19 There ſtood no man with him, while Joſeph made himſelf known unto his brethren. Gen. 45. 1.

Likewiſe take me aſide, O Lamb!—and with embraces put to ſhame.

20 Zion heard, and was glad, and the daughters of Judah rejoiced; becauſe of thy judgments, O Lord. Pſalm 97. 8.

We'll therefore let him manage,—he is the wiſeſt Prince.

21 Thou haſt turned my heavineſs into joy, and girded me with gladneſs. Pſalm 30. 11.

I ſing to him pſalms thankful,—who thus wip'd off my tears.

22 Beloved, now are we the ſons of God, and it doth not yet appear, what we ſhall be; but we know, that when he ſhall appear, we ſhall be like him, for we ſhall ſee him as he is. 1 John 3. 2.

Mean while, my lot is here—the Lamb to follow:—M'ſelf (its my ſole care)—to him to hallow.—And thus I wait in love,—with great deſire,—till in the choir above—he'll me acquire.

23 The daughter of Zion is left as a cottage in a vineyard, as a lodge in a garden of cucumbers. Iſa. 1. 8.

God with this church thee comfort—in the latter days,—before glory's blaze,—for all thy diſtreſs.

24 Thou

24 Thou haſt done well in executing that which is right in mine eyes, and haſt done according to all that was in mine heart. 2 Kings 10. 30.

If ought's good in this life of mine,—then, Lord, its all moſt ſurely thine.

Week XLIV. 19 S. aft. Trin.

25 O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, for his mercy endureth for ever. 1 Chron. 16. 34.

The eye in tears all o'er.—the warm and grateful heart,—as a thank-off'ring poor,—accept yet in good part.

26 Who can utter the mighty acts of the Lord? who can ſhew forth all his praiſe? Pſalm 106. 2.

O thou whoſe mercies far exceed—all that poor man can tell,—as in thy people thou indeed—doſt daily them reveal.—Let, for our happineſs, O God!—on us whilſt here below,—by virtue of thy death and blood,—ſtill thouſand bleſſings flow.

27 Put thou my tears into thy bottle: are they not in thy book. Pſalm 56. 8.

We mourn becauſe of faults and wants,—we daily pine for the ſide's hole,—we weep indeed for Chriſt his ſoul.

28 God remembered Noah Gen. 8. 1.

Think alſo partic'larly—ev'n on me.

29 Where your treaſure is, there will your heart be alſo. Matt. 6. 21.

Nought contents me out of thee;—far too grov'ling—are all things and trifling.

30 Rejoice, O ye nations, with his people. [Rejoice all ye that are his people. G. T.] Deut. 32. 43.

Sing, now as if him we ſaw,—Ave and Hallelujah.

31 Thus ſaith the Lord of hoſts: If it be marvellous [difficult] in the eyes of the remnant of this people in theſe days, ſhould it alſo be marvellous in mine eyes? Zech. 8. 6

Human mind is far too ſhallow,—in this wonder thee to follow.

NOVEMBER.

Week XLV. 20 S. aft. Trin.

1 IF thou warn the wicked, and he turn not from his wickedneſs nor from his wicked way, he ſhall die in his iniquity, but thou haſt delivered thy ſoul. Ezek. 3. 19.

You ſhan't grow faint and tired,—while you're on earth deſired—to ſerve his cauſe ſo bleſt.—Be waiting for him ſteady,—and when you once are ready,—then go into his glorious reſt.

2 Happy art thou, O Iſrael: who is like unto thee, O people, ſaved by the Lord! Deut. 33. 29.

How can I thank thee fitly;—I confeſs, O Lamb, from thee—flows my whole felicity.

3 The bruiſed reed ſhall he not break, and the ſmoking flax ſhall he not quench. Iſa. 42. 3. Matt. 12. 20.

What muſt—Jeſus—find to love in—me a roving—confus'd ſpirit?—Heart, thou know'ſt 'tis his own merit.

4 When ye ſhall hear of wars, and rumours of wars, be ye not troubled. Mark 13. 7.

God ſits himſelf at th' rudder,—and ruleth all things well.

5 Beau-

5 Beautiful is mount Zion, the joy of the whole earth. Pſalm 48. 2.

Praiſe our God gracious,—who with gifts moſt precious—doth his church blood-reconcil'd,—his holy city, build.

6 Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whoſe mind is ſtayed on thee: becauſe he truſteth in thee. Iſa. 26. 3.

Thy wondrous ways I acquieſce in,—they always end in love and bleſſing.

7 We went through fire and through water, but thou broughteſt us out into a wealthy place. Pſalm 66. 12.

Thy faithfulneſs ſurpriſing,—is new each morn we're riſing;—Praiſe to theſe hands whoſe power—averts all grief each hour.

Week XLVI. 21 S. aft. Trin.

8 Now, I beſeech thee, let the power of my Lord be great, according as thou haſt ſpoken. Numb. 14. 17.

Love is thine el'ment ſtill,—faithful thy heart and will:—we are thy poor objects,—on whom thou ſhew'ſt thy ſkill.

9 Cry aloud, ſpare not, lift up thy voice like a trumpet, and ſhew my people their tranſgreſſion, and the houſe of Jacob their ſins. Iſa. 58. 1.

How greatly man incenſes—the Lord by his offences,—God's juſtice, O, how ſtern!—how rig'rous he chaſtiſes,—when he with wrath baptizes;—this I'll by Jeſu's ſuff'rings learn.

10 Thou art holy, O thou that inhabiteſt the praiſes of Iſrael. Pſalm 22. 3.

And thy ſabbatic preſence—we feel moſt ſenſibly.

11 I have ſet watchmen upon thy walls, O Jeruſalem, which ſhall never hold their peace day nor night: ye that make mention of the Lord, keep not ſilence; and give him no reſt, till he eſtabliſh, and till he make Jeruſalem a praiſe in the earth. Iſa. 62. 6, 7.

Let the works of thine own hand—uncontroul'd rule in its borders —and be love its ſacred band.

12 As the angel was ſpeaking with me, I was in a deep ſleep [a ſwoon] on my face toward the ground; but he touched me, and ſet me upright. Dan. 8. 18.

Now he Himſelf draws nigh—and brings us peace.

13 Behold, I make a covenant: before all thy people I will do marvels, ſuch as have not been done in all the earth, nor in any nation; and all the people among which thou art, ſhall ſee the work of the Lord: for it is a terrible thing, that I will do with thee. Exod. 34. 10.

What thou doſt with thy croſs's train,—ſince thou doſt reſt from all thy pain,—that more than ever far and near,—ſhall, in theſe times of grace, appear.

14 One thing have I deſired of the Lord, that will I ſeek after, that I may dwell in the houſe of the Lord all the days of my life. Pſalm 27. 4.

In his dear congregation here,—and when call'd home, I ſhall live there—with Chriſt my ſoul's Redeemer.

Week XLVII. 22 S. aft. Trin.

15 Let all your things be done with charity [in love]. 1 Cor. 16. 14.

Thou ſweeteſt Love! we pray thee, heartily,—to ſhed on us thy love abundantly,—that we be 'mong each other loving and tender.

16 I walk at liberty, for I ſeek thy precepts. Pſalm 119. 45.

With confidence I keep to thee,—in love thou alſo keep'ſt to me;—this is my higheſt pleaſure.

17 Let the word of Chriſt dwell in you richly in all wiſdom; teaching and admoniſhing one another in pſalms, and hymns, and ſpiritual ſongs, ſinging with grace in your hearts to the Lord. Col. 3. 16.

Of that hymn, "Jeſus our Lord expired!"—ſhall our throats, with ſinging, ne'er be tired,—till they join, in harmony,—the triumphant company.

18 Bring my ſons from far, and my daughters from the ends of the earth; even every one that is called by my name: for I have created him for my glory, I have formed him, yea, I have made him. Iſa. 43. 6, 7.

O Lord! thro' thy light's ſhine ſo bleſt—to the right faith thou gather'd haſt—a flock out of all tongues and places;—all theſe, O Lord, now ſing thy praiſes.—Hallelujah!

19 Thou haſt confirmed to thyſelf thy people Iſrael, to be a people unto thee for ever, and thou, Lord, art become their God. 2 Sam. 7. 24.

Church of Jeſus, joyful be,—that he thee hath choſen,—for his choice eternally—he will not be loſing.

20 Joſeph made haſte, for his bowels did yern upon his brother. Gen. 43. 30.

So is the Saviour towards us diſpoſed,—our heart well knows it.

21 I, even I am he that comforteth you: Who art thou, that thou ſhouldſt be afraid of a man that

that ſhall die, and of the ſon of a man, which ſhall be made as graſs? Iſa. 51. 12.

We put our truſt, O Lord, in thee,—confounded let us never be.

Week XLVIII. 23 S. aft. Trin.

22 We being many, are one bread and one body, for we are all partakers of that one bread. 1 Cor. 10. 17.

So ſtand we therefore to this hour—in one firm bond of peace and love.

23 There is ſprung up a light for the righteous. Pſalm 97. 11.

Againſt ev'ry evil paſſion—thy dear wounds doth pow'r impart;—when I look to thy oblation—then is fill'd with life my heart.

24 I will ſee you again, and your heart ſhall rejoice, and your joy no man taketh from you. John 16. 22.

When thee, deareſt Jeſu! once more we're ſpying,—thy orphan-dove will forget her crying,—and all her tears.

25 Be ſtill, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the heathens; I will be exalted in the earth. Pſalm 46. 10.

Till all the world has dropt its vain ambition—for oppoſition.

26 I will try them for thee: and it ſhall be that of whom I ſay unto thee, This ſhall go with thee, the ſame ſhall go with thee; and of whomſoever I ſay unto thee, This ſhall not go with thee, the ſame ſhall not go. Judges 7. 4.

Counſel us, deareſt Jeſu!—according to thy heart.

27 Of

27 Of Zion it ſhall be ſaid: This and that man was born in her, and the Higheſt himſelf ſhall eſtabliſh her. Pſalm 87. 5.

Many languages it praiſe,—hearts unnumber'd it poſſeſs.

28 Look upon Zion the city of our ſolemnities; =thine eyes ſhall ſee Jeruſalem a quiet habitation, a tabernacle that ſhall not be taken down; not one of the ſtakes thereof ſhall ever be removed, neither ſhall any of the cords thereof be broken. Iſa. 33. 20.

For God himſelf, who there his throne erects,—this city now and evermore protects,—chiefly ſince—glory's Prince,—Jeſus, is himſelf enroll'd,—and dwells within that fold.

Week XLIX. 1 S. in Advent.

29 Many nations ſhall be joined to the Lord in that day, and ſhall be my people: and I will dwell in the midſt of thee, and thou ſhalt know, that the Lord of hoſts hath ſent me unto thee. Zech. 2. 11.

Let thy folk experience—that the city dear—of the ranſom'd poor-ones—hath the Lamb with her.

30 My brethren, ye are become dead to the law by the body of Chriſt, that ye ſhould be married to another, even to him who is raiſed from the dead, that we ſhould bring forth fruit unto God. Rom. 7. 4.

Grant, O Chriſt, thou Son of God!—thro' thy bitter paſſion,—that we now obey thy nod,—gladly ſhun tranſgreſſion,—that we daily weigh the cauſe—of thy death and ſuff'ring,—and for this, tho' poor we are,—bring thee our thank-off'ring.

DECEMBER.

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1 THE law of the Lord is perfect, converting the ſoul; the teſtimony of the Lord is ſure, and giveth wiſdom unto the ſimple. Pſalm 19. 7.

Thou our thoughts and ſenſes ſtir—to th' heav'nly doctrines ſweetly;—may the heart, freed from earth's capture,—unto thee be drawn with rapture.

2 I will leave in the midſt of thee an afflicted and poor people, and they ſhall truſt in the name of the Lord. Zeph. 3. 12.

Remember, Lord, thy promiſe, thy flock viſit,—as thou ſo comfortably didſt expreſs it.

3 He ſhall pray unto God, and he will be favourable unto him, and he ſhall ſee his face with joy. Job 33. 26.

The houſe's Sire and Head—is in the heart pourtray'd,—has th' eye both wet and red—in duſt before him laid.

4 All the churches ſhall know, that I am he, which ſearcheth the reins and the hearts. Rev. 2. 23.

Whether they're, but in appearance,—or indeed what they profeſs.

5 This is the confidence that we have in him, that if we aſk any thing according to his will, he heareth us. 1 John 5. 14.

Strengthen our faith continually,—that this to us ne'er doubtful be.

Week

Week L. 2 S. in Advent.

6 Have thou reſpect unto the prayer of thy ſervant and to his ſupplication, O Lord my God, to hearken unto the cry and to the prayer which thy ſervant prayeth before thee to-day. 1 Kings 8. 28.

Unto my pray'r in thy name's recognition,—ſay Amen! I will grant thee thy petition.

7 God be gracious unto thee! Gen. 43. 29.

Say, Lord Jeſu, ſay to me:—Grace and peace ſhall be with thee.

8 Not by might, nor by power, but by my Spirit, ſaith the Lord of hoſts. Zech. 4. 6.

By our own ſtrength is nothing done,—we ſoon are loſt and marred,—but there fights for us the right man,—whom God himſelf prepared.

9 With us is the Lord our God to help us, and to fight our battles. 2 Chron. 32. 8.

Therefore, in truth,—nor devil nor death—can do us any miſchief.

10 The memory of the juſt is bleſſed. Prov. 10. 7.

He who them did teach to venture—in faith's path, and not to ſee;—he who taught them, under burdens—ſtill to ſtand immoveably:—He will alſo keep us faithful—thro' his pow'r and tender love, —to live for the church with gladneſs,—till we join their band above.

11 I am with thee, ſaith the Lord, to ſave thee; I will not make a full end of thee: but I will correct thee in meaſure, and will not leave thee altogether unpuniſhed. [That thou doſt not count thyſelf innocent. G. T.] Jer. 30. 11.

Thou fain would'ſt have us cleaner—in heart and in demeanour,—this we do feel and own:—We thank

thee for thy waiting,—nurſing and educating,—and are with ſhame and love bow'd down.

12 I have eſtabliſhed my covenant with them, to give them the land of their pilgrimage, wherein they were ſtrangers. Exod. 6. 4.

Give to thy people on all earth's face—doors open'd for them by thy own grace,—peaceful habitations, tents full of bleſſing.

Week LI. 3 S. in Advent.

13 The Lord will be jealous for his land, and pity his people. Joel 2. 18.

Thy mercy, Lord, to us diſpenſe:—in thee is all our confidence.

14 I will make a covenant of peace with them, it ſhall be an everlaſting covenant with them, and I will place them and multiply them, and will ſet my ſanctuary in the midſt of them for evermore. Ezek. 37. 26.

And we'll love him and ſerve him with gladneſs, then reſt.

15 What man is he that feareth the Lord? him ſhall he teach in the way that he ſhall chooſe. Pſalm 25. 12.

Here am I, my Lord and God!—O inſtruct me.

16 My ſoul ſhall be ſatisfied as with marrow and fatneſs, and my mouth ſhall praiſe thee with joyful lips. Pſalm 63. 5.

Hallelujah! Let us now be ſinging,—we're redeem'd moſt powerfully.

17 My mouth ſhall ſhew forth thy righteouſneſs, and thy ſalvation all the day; for I know not the numbers thereof. Pſalm 71. 15.

O did each pulſe thankſgiving beat!—O were each breath an anthem ſweet!

18 I am the Lord thy God: open thy mouth wide, and I will fill it. Pſalm 81. 10.

Here come I, my Shepherd!—my ſoul thirſts for thee.

19 Bleſſed be God, who hath not turned away my prayer, nor his mercy from me. Pſalm 66. 20.

Long ſuff'ring, merciful, kind to be,—daily forgiving abundantly,—to heal, chear and comfort, and ſhow'r his bleſſing—on us, with looks, his friendlineſs expreſſing,—that's his delight.

Week LII. 4 S. in Advent.

20 The Lord grant thee, according to thine own heart, and fulfil all thy counſel. Pſalm 20. 4.

My ſole deſire, my higheſt wiſh—in all things is to give thee pleaſure.

21 Her foundations are upon the holy hills. Pſalm 87. 1.

Her foundation is moſt ſure—Chriſt her bleſſed Saviour;—built up by God's word moſt pure—to life now and ever.

22 O ſend forth thy light and thy truth; let them lead me, let them bring me unto thy holy hill, and to thy tabernacles. Then will I go unto the altar of God, unto God, my exceeding joy. Pſalm 43. 3, 4.

Yea, his condition—how happy 'tis, O Lord!—whom thou admiſſion—doſt to thy church afford,—and ſo—the heav'nly kingdom too.

23 The Lord ſaid unto Joſhua: There remaineth yet very much land to be poſſeſſed. Joſhua 13. 1.

There's but a ſmall beginning made,—the earth's ſtill full of night and ſhade;—break forth, thou Sun of righteouſneſs,—yea, break thou forth in theſe our days.

24 All the ends of the earth have ſeen the ſalvation of our God. Pſalm 98. 3.

Th' eternal Splendor is in ſight,—gives to the world its ſaving light,—and drives the clouds of ſin away,—and makes us children of the day. Hallelujah.

25 (Chriſtmas.) Thou haſt ſet my feet in a large room. Pſalm 31. 8.

The devil thought to tear us from our Maker,—and from his kingdom evermore;—now muſt he bear to ſee God a partaker—of our human'ty, which he bore.

26 God aroſe to judgment, and to help all the meek upon earth. Pſalm 76. 9.

O King of glory, Chriſt the Lord!—thou'rt God's own Son, th' eternal Word;—let all the world thy mercy ſee,—and bleſs what ſolely cleaves to thee.

Sunday after Chriſtmas.

27 We have a more ſure word of prophecy, whereunto ye do well that ye take heed. 2 Pet. 1. 19.

In theſe laſt mournful days, O Lord!—true conſtancy to us afford,—that we may, unto our laſt hour,—thy word and ſacraments keep pure.

28 We will walk in the name of the Lord our God for ever and ever. Mich. 4. 5.

O may his incarnation bleſt—make and preſerve his people—in ſoul and body chaſte.

29 I will ſprinkle clean water upon you, and ye ſhall be clean: from all your filthineſs and from all your idols will I cleanſe you. Ezek. 36. 25.

O ſtream of life, the earth's whole face o'erflow;—whate'er will ſtem thy courſe, thy force break thro'.

30 When

30 When they went, they went upon their four ſides, and they returned not when they went. Ezek. 1. 17.

Afar off and near—one Lord's ev'ry where;—for where'er we are,—himſelf goes before us in the holy war.

31 I will praiſe thee for ever for that thou haſt done; and I will wait on thy name, for it is good before thy ſaints. Pſalm 52. 9.

Now let us praiſe the Lord,—with body, ſoul and ſpirit;—who doth ſuch wondrous things,—beyond our ſenſe and merit;—may he us watch and keep—from henceforth, thro' his grace,—and bleſs his blood-bought ſheep,—in ev'ry land and place.

FINIS.

THE
DOCTRINAL TEXTS
OF THE
Brethren's Congregations,
FOR THE YEAR
1772.

Lord, our Thoughts and Senſes ſtir,
To the heav'nly Doctrines ſweetly.

WE have made uſe of the glorious teſtimonies of the apoſtle Paul, for our Doctrinal Texts for the next year, which Texts are alſo for the uſe of the children in the congregations of the Brethren. Theſe texts treat of our dear Lord, who is our wiſdom, righteouſneſs, ſanctification and redemption, and of the communion which we enjoy, through him, with our gracious Father, and the Holy Ghoſt, and with each other. They contain all the evangelical exhortations of the apoſtle touching the walk in the light, patience in tribulation, and joyfulneſs in hope.

As many texts out of the epiſtles of Paul occur in the daily words of next year, they are not repeated again in theſe Doctrinal Texts; we mention this, in caſe any one ſhould miſs this or the other important text. O that we all would ſeek to be formed according to the mind of Chriſt, as is deſcribed in ſuch a lovely and heart-piercing manner by Paul, and that each of us might be found in Chriſt Jeſus!

Groſs-Hennerſdorff,
June 12, 1771.

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JANUARY.

1 (N. Y. Day.) BEHOLD, now is the accepted time, behold, now is the day of ſalvation. 2 Cor. 6. 2.

Deareſt wounds of Jeſus! our God be praiſed,—who ſpared us for your time ſo bleſſed,—when we have you.

2 Now is our ſalvation nearer than when we believed. Rom. 13. 11.

O might we uſe this grace aright,—and keep its wondrous worth in ſight.

3 Eye hath not ſeen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him; but God hath revealed them unto us by his Spirit. 1 Cor. 2. 9, 10.

Ye bottomleſs depths of God's infinite love,—by Jeſus Chriſt to us reveal'd!

4 Other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is Jeſus Chriſt. 1 Cor. 3. 11.

And from his blood once ſhed for me—my happineſs is flowing,—here and eternally.

Week

5 God hath ſet forth Chriſt Jeſus to be a propitiation [mercy-ſeat] through faith in his blood. Rom. 3. 25.

To the throne come without ſhyneſs,—where the mercy-ſeat is ſpy'd;—nought can you but love and kindneſs,—from the Son of man betide.

6 (Epiph.) He is of power to eſtabliſh you, according to my goſpel and the preaching of Jeſus Chriſt, according to the revelation of the myſtery, which was kept ſecret ſince the world began, but now is made manifeſt, and by the ſcriptures of the prophets, according to the commandment of the everlaſting God, made known to all nations for the obedience of faith. Rom. 16. 25, 26.

That Jeſus Chriſt, his ſtrength and his ſalvation,—may be made known unto each heathen nation;—and they converted be unto their Saviour,—their Friend and Lover.

7 God was in Chriſt, reconciling the world unto himſelf, not imputing their treſpaſſes unto them; and hath committed unto us the word of reconciliation. 2 Cor. 5. 19.

O wonder, far exceeding—all human thought and ſenſe!—heav'n's Sov'reign was ſeen bleeding—for his poor ſlave's offence!—the Source of life gave up his breath—for us, whoſe vile rebellion—deſerv'd an endleſs death.

8 Now then we are ambaſſadors for Chriſt, as though God did beſeech you by us; we pray you in Chriſt's ſtead, be ye reconciled to God. 2 Cor. 5. 20.

Sinners! come, the Saviour ſee,—hands, feet, ſide and temples view.

9 By

9 By grace are ye ſaved, through faith, and that not of yourſelves: it is the gift of God: not of works, leſt any man ſhould boaſt. Eph. 2. 8, 9.

I'll own while I have breath,—that I'm a wretched creature;—there's nought good in my nature:—I know nought, but my dear Lord's death.

10 This is a faithful ſaying and worthy of all acceptation, that Chriſt Jeſus came into the world to ſave ſinners, of whom I am chief. 1 Tim. 1. 15.

All of us are ſinners in a large meaſure,—and therefore have we the grace and pleaſure—to love thee much.

11 Howbeit for this cauſe I obtained mercy, that in me firſt Jeſus Chriſt might ſhew forth all long-ſuffering, for a pattern to them, which ſhould hereafter believe on him to life everlaſting. 1 Tim. 1. 16.

How inexpreſſible's the grace,—the privilege amazing,—for worms who are ſo poor and baſe,—for ſinners ſo diſpleaſing.

Week III. 1 S. aft. Epiph.

12 God hath not appointed us to wrath, but to obtain ſalvation by our Lord Jeſus Chriſt. 1 Theſſ. 5. 9.

Now I ſhould ſhew my thankfulneſs,—for ſuch grace to me ſhewn;—I'll give myſelf, and all that's mine,—to him; I am his own.

13 Chriſt is all and in all. Col. 3. 11.

Lord Jeſus Chriſt! where thou not art,—is nought that can rejoice my heart.

14 There is one God, and one Mediator between God and man, the man Chriſt Jeſus; who gave himſelf a ranſom for all. 1 Tim. 2. 5, 6.

We are by God received,—thro' grace the debt is paid,—by Chriſt's blood we're relieved.

15 The

15 The God and Father of our Lord Jeſus Chriſt hath choſen us in him before the foundation of the world, that we ſhould be holy and without blame before him in love. Eph. 1. 3, 4.

O that to his praiſe,—each drop of our blood was devoted always.

16 In him dwelleth all the fulneſs of the godhead bodily. Coloſſ. 2. 9.

The Father in the Father's throne,—his only and beloved Son,—the Holy Ghoſt the Comforter,—in thee, God's Lamb! we now revere.

17 He is the image of the inviſible God, the firſt born of every creature. Coloſſ. 1. 15.

Parent of all things thou,—and Mediator too,—the Lord of Sabaoth.

18 By him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, viſible and inviſible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers; all things were created by him and for him; and he is before all things, and by him all things conſiſt. Coloſſ. 1. 16, 17.

God, who the world ſo wide—does guide,—and made by blood,—what ſpoil'd was, good.

Week IV. 2 S. aft. Epiph.

19 All things are gathered together in one in Chriſt, both which are in heaven, and which are on earth, even in him. Eph. 1. 10.

Thou man, thou angel, and thou worm,—rejoice, and him adore!

20 He is far above all principality, and power, and might, and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this world, but alſo in that which is to come. Eph. 1. 21.

Is that my deareſt Brother?—ſays one of low degree.

21 He

21 He is the beginning, the firſt-born from the dead; that in all things he might have the pre-eminence. Coloſſ. 1. 18.

Jeſus, he my Saviour lives,—I ſhall alſo life be gaining.

22 It pleaſed *the Father* that in him ſhould all fulneſs dwell, and having made peace through the blood of his croſs, by him to reconcile all things unto himſelf; by him, I ſay, whether they be things in earth or things in heaven. Coloſſ. 1. 19, 20.

O Jeſu Chriſt! all praiſe to thee,—that thou a man vouchſaf'dſt to be;—and for each ſoul which thou haſt made,—haſt an eternal ranſom paid.

23 If any man be in Chriſt, he is a new creature: old things are paſſed away; behold, all things are become new. 2 Cor. 5. 17.

Therefore we Jeſus, our maker, praiſe—for our call in New Teſt'ment-days.

24 At that time ye were without Chriſt, being aliens from the commonwealth of Iſrael, and ſtrangers from the covenant of promiſe, having no hope, and without God in the world. Eph. 2. 12.

So long the heart is without Chriſt,—it's ſurely without God.

25 But now in Chriſt Jeſus, ye who ſometimes were far off, are made nigh by the blood of Chriſt. Eph. 2. 13.

By the beſprinkling with thy precious blood,—give to thy ſinners grace and courage good.

Week V. 3 S. aft. Epiph.

26 We ourſelves alſo were ſometimes fooliſh, diſobedient, deceived, ſerving divers luſts and plea-

ſures, living in malice and envy, hateful, and hating one another. Tit. 3. 3.

What doſt thou love? ſinners, the vileſt race;—whom doſt thou bleſs? children, who curs'd thy grace.

27 But after that the kindneſs and love of God our Saviour toward man appeared, not by works of righteouſneſs which we have done, but according to his mercy he ſaved us, by the waſhing of regeneration and renewing of the Holy Ghoſt. Tit. 3. 4, 5.

Let us in the grace that's bloody—ſtand before thee waſh'd and heal'd.

28 Which [the Holy Ghoſt] he ſhed on us abundantly through Jeſus Chriſt our Saviour; that being juſtified by his grace, we ſhould be made heirs according to the hope of eternal life. This is a faithful ſaying. Tit. 3. 6, 7, 8.

O Lord, thy blood-ſhedding, thy bitter ſuff'ring,—thy giving up thy ſoul as a ſin-off'ring,—has merited it.

29 The grace of God that bringeth ſalvation, hath appeared to all men, teaching us, that denying ungodlineſs and worldly luſts, we ſhould live ſoberly, righteouſly and godly in this preſent world. Tit. 2. 11, 12.

That the mind the Lamb's reſemble,—and his corpſe the body's temple.

30 Looking for that bleſſed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jeſus Chriſt. Tit. 2. 13.

Amen, come, Lord Jeſu! do not long tarry,—with longing hearts we are waiting for thee;—come ſoon! O come!

31 Who

31 Who gave himſelf for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto himſelf a peculiar people, zealous of good works. Tit. 2. 14.

Since our Saviour bore our pain,—to ſerve him is joy and gain.

FEBRUARY.

1 CHRIST Jeſus is of God made unto us wiſdom. 1 Cor. 1. 30.

And if I of Jeſus true knowledge have gain'd—the prize of true wiſdom I then have obtain'd.

Week VI. 4 S. aft. Epiph.

2 (Purif. of M.) In him are hid all the treaſures of wiſdom and knowledge. Coloſſ. 2. 3.

Grant that we in thy knowledge,—and thy love, may ever grow.

3 I count all things but loſs for the excellency of the knowledge of Chriſt Jeſus my Lord; for whom I have ſuffered the loſs of all things, and do count them but dung, that I may win Chriſt, and be found in him. Phil. 3. 8, 9.

Take, yea, all away fromme;—my mind ſhall unchanged be:—Jeſus, thou ſhalt be alone—evermore my joy and crown.

4 God who commanded the light to ſhine out of darkneſs, hath ſhined in our hearts. 2 Cor. 4. 6.

And when once our face—can ſee the bright rays—ſhoot forth from the Lamb,—it makes our hearts burning, and melt by love's flame.

5 We all with open face beholding as in a glaſs the glory of the Lord, are changed into the ſame

image, from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord. 2 Cor. 3. 18.

And the brighteſt ſeraph eſſence—muſt ſtand cover'd in his preſence,—while a man, that worm befriended,—looks at grace's ſun unblinded.

6 When that which is perfect is come, then that which is in part ſhall be done away; now we ſee through a glaſs darkly; but then face to face: now I know in part; but then ſhall I know, even as alſo I am known. 1 Cor. 10. 12.

Who then ſhall be able, t' conceive the bleſſing,—when we ſhall ſee thee near, be thee poſſeſſing,—juſt as thou art.

7 Hold faſt the form of ſound words, in faith and love, which is in Chriſt Jeſus. 2 Tim. 1. 13.

God's wounds and bloody paſſion,—his death is our confeſſion,—until we ſee him face to face.

8 That good thing which was committed unto thee, keep by the Holy Ghoſt, which dwelleth in us. 2 Tim. 1. 14.

Keep us, Lord, from ſtrange doctrine's lore,—that we may ſeek no maſter more,—but Jeſus Chriſt; truly believing,—and with all our might to him cleaving.

Week VII. 5 S. aft. Epiph.

9 All ſcripture is given by inſpiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for inſtruction in righteouſneſs, that the man of God may be perfect, throughly furniſhed unto all good works. 2 Tim. 3. 16, 17.

Better to underſtand each day,—what he is, and what he doth ſay;—to learn all that, whereby we may—adorn his doctrine ev'ry way.

10 From

10 From a child thou haſt known the holy ſcriptures, which are able to make thee wiſe unto ſalvation, through faith, which is in Chriſt Jeſus. 2 Tim. 3. 15.

Grant that thy word and thy clear light—'midſt us may ſhine for ever bright.

11 I determined not to know any thing among you ſave Jeſus Chriſt, and him crucified. 2 Cor. 2. 2.

Bleeding Lamb! thy croſs's ſtem.—thy nail-holes and open'd ſide,—thy blood ſhed, pain, anguiſh, death,—theſe thy church's theme abide.

12 I am not aſhamed of the goſpel of Chriſt: for it is the power of God unto ſalvation to every one that believeth. Rom. 1. 16.

With deep humiliation,—whilſt life and breath remain,—this is my declaration.

13 May the God of our Lord Jeſus Chriſt, the Father of glory, give unto you the ſpirit of wiſdom and revelation, in the knowledge of him. Eph. 1. 17.

That we his holy will may know,—and in this knowledge daily grow.

14 The natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God, for they are fooliſhneſs unto him; neither can he know them, becauſe they are ſpiritually diſcerned. 1 Cor. 2. 14.

What poor man can underſtand,—is with darkneſs quite ſurrounded,—till the Holy Spirit's hand—fills us with a light unbounded.

15 That which may be known of God is manifeſt in them: for God hath ſhewed it unto them: for the inviſible things of him from the creation

of the world are clearly ſeen, being underſtood by the things that are made, even his eternal power and godhead; ſo that they are without excuſe. Rom. 1. 19, 20.

Creature give thy Creator praiſe,—that he exiſts, thy life diſplays.

Week VIII. Septuag.

16 Hath not God made fooliſh the wiſdom of this world? for after that in the wiſdom of God the world by wiſdom knew not God, it pleaſed God by the fooliſhneſs of preaching to ſave them that believe. 1 Cor. 1. 20, 21.

The wiſdom this, which only doth excel,—ye, wiſdom's children all, do know it well.

17 The fooliſhneſs of God is wiſer than men; and the weakneſs of God is ſtronger than men. 1 Cor. 1. 25.

Therefore the moſt needy—are his higheſt praiſe:—
To fix the eye ſteady—on his wounds bright blaze,
—this is of wiſe maxims moſt ſurely the greateſt,
—this knowledge the ſinner doth prize as compleateſt.

18 Ye ſee your calling, brethren, how that not many wiſe men after the fleſh, not many mighty, not many noble are called. 1 Cor. 1. 26.

Go ye flatt'ring viſions,—honour's wretched views!

19 God hath choſen the fooliſh things of the world to confound the wiſe; and God hath choſen the weak things of the world to confound the things which are mighty; and baſe things of the world, and things which are deſpiſed, hath God choſen, yea, and things which are not, to bring to nought things that are; that no fleſh ſhould glory in his preſence. 1 Cor. 1. 27, 28, 29.

You who're poor and very wretched,—don't delay—
till to-day,—hands of faith outſtretched.

20 When

20 When it pleased God to reveal his Son in me, immediately I conferred not with flesh and blood. Gal. 1. 15, 16.

O most blessed moment!

21 We bring into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ. 2 Cor. 10. 5

His healthful word shall ev'ry way—its vigorous attacks display;—give power to the feeble.

22 God forbid that I should glory, save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ. Gal. 6. 14.

This my highest knowledge is,—God's pow'r in me lies in this.

Week IX. Sexag.

23 We preach Christ crucified, unto the Jews a stumbling-block, and unto the Greeks foolishness; but unto them which are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. 1 Cor. 1. 23, 24.

Just so—art thou,—thus thou'rt to us approved.

24 The preaching of the cross is to them that perish, foolishness; but unto us which are saved, it is the power of God. 1 Cor. 1. 18.

Praise to him, who this on us has wrought,—that we believe it.

25 The God of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them. 2 Cor. 4. 4.

Darkness with all its pow'r and might,—opposes constantly the light.

26 My speech and my preaching was not with enticing words of man's wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power; that your faith

faith ſhould not ſtand in the wiſdom of men, but in the power of God. 1 Cor. 2. 4, 5.

A goſpel-meſſenger knows of nought,—but Jeſu's ſweat, by which we were bought,—the bleſt wounds and bruiſes of th' holy victim,—who expiated,—whilſt men afflict him,—the whole world's ſins.

27 I fear leſt by any means, as the ſerpent beguiled Eve through his ſubtilty, ſo your minds ſhould be corrupted from the ſimplicity that is in Chriſt. 2 Cor. 11. 3.

My eyes remain quite ſteady,—fix'd on his pale form's hue.

28 Beware leſt any man ſpoil you through philoſophy and vain deceit, after the tradition of men, after the rudiments of the world, and not after Chriſt. Col. 2. 8.

Now nature's wit,—the word of Jeſu's dying,—would be deſtroying.—The wounds we'll be enjoying—in th' ſide, hands, feet.

29 Though we or an angel from heaven preach any other goſpel unto you than that which we have preached unto you, let him be accurſed. Gal. 1. 8.

May God our righteous Saviour—preſerve us now and ever—from other doctrine than Chriſt's death!

MARCH.

Week X. Quinquag.

1 CHriſt Jeſus is of God made unto us righteouſneſs. 1 Cor. 1. 30.

Therewith will I before God ſtand.

2 In

2 In the gospel is the righteousness of God revealed. Rom. 1. 17.

I ask no more, Lord, grant to me,—that thy death, always, my life be.—For me thou'st paid the ransom.

3 God hath made him to be sin for us who knew no sin, that we might be made the righteousness of God in him. 2 Cor. 5. 21.

I, I, and my transgressions,—which by my own confessions—exceed the sea-shore sands;—these, these have been the reason—of his whole bitter season,—of all his bruises, stripes and bands.

4 He was delivered for our offences, and was raised again for our justification. Rom. 4. 25.

The Lamb, who by his death and blood—for us has purchas'd all that's good,—be thank'd and prais'd eternally.

5 There is no difference: for all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God: being justified freely by his grace, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus. Rom. 3. 22, 23, 24.

Nought but thy grace, O my Saviour,—and thy merits giv'n to me,—makes me sinner, thro' thy favour,—righteous, holy, happy be.

6 By one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned. Rom. 5. 12.

Body and soul receiv'd a deadly wound,—the whole of man is sick, there's nothing sound.

7 As by the offence of one judgment came upon all men to condemnation, even so by the righteousness

teouſneſs of one the free gift came upon all men unto juſtification of life Rom. 5. 19

He who without ſin was born,—God's wrath bore for us forlorn,—has atoned for our race,—and reſtor'd us to God's grace.

Week XL. 1 S. in Lent.

8 The firſt man is of the earth, earthy: the ſeſecond man is the Lord from heaven. 1 Cor. 15. 47.

Now in ſinners ſtation,—a man became, of faſhion —in all things like us here.—His purpoſe was, ſurpriſing!—that we with himſelf riſing,—ſhould mount into the Godhead's ſphere.

9 God hath concluded them all in unbelief, that he might have mercy upon all. Rom. 11. 32.

Chriſt's blood, thou bottomleſs abyſs!—all ſin is ſwallow'd up in thee.

10 There is none righteous, no not one: there is none that underſtandeth, there is none that ſeeketh after God. They are all gone out of the way, they are together become unprofitable: there is none that doeth good, no not one. Rom. 3. 10, 11, 12.

When Adam fell, the frame entire—of nature was infected.

11 Where ſin abounded, grace did much more abound, that as ſin hath reigned unto death, even ſo might grace reign through righteouſneſs unto eternal life by Jeſus Chriſt our Lord. Rom. 5. 20, 21.

'Tis Chriſt, ev'n he who taketh—away ſin, death and woe;—his blood ſo precious, maketh—each ſpot as white as ſnow:—Free from all condemnation,—which ſinners elſe muſt find,—I joy in his ſalvation—with an embolden'd mind.

12 It

12 It is written: Behold I lay in Sion a ſtumbling-ſtone and rock of offence: and whoſoever believeth on him, ſhall not be aſhamed. Rom. 9. 33.

For tho' he once at judgment-ſeat—appears, he ſhall no cenſure meet;—ſince he's abſolv'd already here,—and his whole debt is paid off clear.

13 To him that worketh not, but believeth on him that juſtifieth the ungodly, his faith is counted for righteouſneſs. Rom. 4. 5.

O my Lord expiring,—give me what thou'ſt merited,—more I'm not deſiring.

14 Therefore we conclude, that a man is juſtified by faith, without the deeds of the law. Rom. 3. 28.

All our poor works cannot avail,—they merit nought but death and hell.

Week XII. 2 S. in Lent.

15 Ye are waſhed, ye are ſanctified, ye are juſtified, in the name of the Lord Jeſus, and by the Spirit of our God. 1 Cor. 6. 11.

And we, with all our piteous ſinfulneſs,—are cover'd with his robe of righteouſneſs.

16 Therefore being juſtified by faith, we have peace with God, through our Lord Jeſus Chriſt. Rom. 5. 1.

God, my ſalvation, I reſt in thy embraces;—thou art my peace, I truſt thy endleſs mercies.

17 Ye are all the children of God by faith in Chriſt Jeſus. Gal. 3. 26.

He by his death and blood,—procur'd a new heart for us,—and each eternal good.

18 There

18 There is no condemnation to them which are in Chriſt Jeſus, who walk not after the fleſh, but after the ſpirit. Rom. 8. 1.

Becauſe Chriſt's precious blood doth cry,—Mercy, mercy, continually.

19 We alſo joy in God through our Lord Jeſus Chriſt, by whom we have now received the atonement. Rom. 5. 11.

In heav'n and on earth doth ſound—in harmony: We are aton'd.

20 He gave himſelf for our ſins, that he might deliver us from this preſent evil world, according to the will of God and our Father. Gal. 1. 4.

Therefore receive my praiſes,—now and while I have breath,—for all thy ſuff'rings, Jeſus!—for thy croſs, blood and death.

21 In him we have boldneſs and acceſs with confidence, by the faith of him. Eph. 3. 12.

Come unto the throne with boldneſs,—and behold the mercy-ſeat.

Week XIII. 3 S. in Lent.

22 If God be for us, who can be againſt us? He that ſpared not his own Son, but delivered him up for us all, how ſhall he not with him alſo freely give us all things? Rom. 8. 31, 32.

The whole ſalvation of thy Son,—and all his conqueſts, make our own.—Help thy Chriſt's people, love and bleſs—all thoſe, whoſe names he does confeſs,—and own as his.

23 God commendeth his love towards us, in that while we were yet ſinners Chriſt died for us. Much more then, being now juſtified by his blood,

we

we ſhall be ſaved from wrath through him. Rom. 5 8, 9.

We now redeemed are, —from dangers are ſet free, —thro' Chriſt our bleſſed Saviour,—prais'd to eternity!

24 God hath ſaved us, and called us with an holy calling, not according to our works, but according to his own purpoſe and grace. 2 Tim. 1. 9.

O grace, at which we ſtand amaz'd!

25 (Annunc. of M.) Which [grace] was given us in Chriſt Jeſus before the world began; but is now made manifeſt by the appearing of our Saviour Jeſus Chriſt. 2 Tim. 1. 9, 10.

In time appeareth—the firſt-born of God,—and what he ſweareth,—will ſtand for ever good; —he opens all the deep myſteries,—which lay conceal'd in the eternities.

26 The living God is the Saviour of all men, ſpecially of thoſe that believe. 1 Tim. 4. 10.

The right of any to him I'll not queſtion,—but that he's mine, gives joy beyond expreſſion.

27 Chriſt hath redeemed us from the curſe of the law, being made a curſe for us. Gal. 3. 13.

Thou tak'ſt the curſe-infliction,—giv'ſt for it benediction.

28 What the law could not do, in that it was weak through the fleſh, God ſending his own Son in the likeneſs of ſinful fleſh, and for ſin, condemned ſin in the fleſh. Rom. 8. 3.

O thou Godlike ev'ry way!—carry thy victorious ſway—in the fleſh to its full length.

Week XIV. 4 S. in Lent.

29 The ſting of death is ſin, and the ſtrength of ſin is the law; but thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jeſus Chriſt. 1 Cor. 15. 56, 57.

Thro' him ev'n we, are now made free from ſin's pow'r, and its moſt grievous burthen.

30 The law was our ſchoolmaſter unto [until] Chriſt, that we might be juſtified by faith. But after that faith is come, we are no longer under a ſchoolmaſter. Gal. 3. 24, 25.

Faith looks alone for righteouſneſs—to Chriſt and his atoning grace;—he is our Mediator.

31 Chriſt is the end of the law for righteouſneſs to every one that believeth. Rom. 10. 4.

The goſpel he beſtow'd, that we—might thereby truly pious be.

APRIL.

1 GRACE and peace from God our Father, and from the Lord Jeſus Chriſt, be unto all that in every place call upon the name of Jeſus Chriſt our Lord, both their's and our's. 1 Cor. 1. 2, 3.

Father! for the ſake of th' Son beloved,—bleſs thy church, let her remain unmoved:—Slaughter'd Lamb! may thy church be—thy heart's comfort conſtantly.

2 God who is rich in mercy, for his great love wherewith he loved us, even when we were dead in ſins, hath quickened us together with Chriſt. Eph. 2. 4, 5.

For God on his eternal ſeat—pity'd our ſtate ſo wretched.

3 And

3 And hath raiſed us up together, and made us ſit together in heavenly places, that in the ages to come he might ſhew the exceeding riches of his grace, in his kindneſs towards us through Chriſt Jeſus. Eph. 2. 6, 7.

Bowels of mercy! we ever adore ye,—which were in Chriſt ſeen in greateſt love's glory.

4 God our Saviour will have all men to be ſaved and to come unto the knowledge of the truth. 1 Tim. 2. 4.

Thy grace and thy mercy be evermore praiſed,—which have in Chriſt Jeſus ſo glorioufly blazed.

Week XV. 5 S. in Lent.

5 The foundation of God ſtandeth ſure, having this ſeal, The Lord knoweth them that are his: and let every one that nameth the name of Chriſt, depart from iniquity. 2 Tim. 2. 19.

Quit all, and put Chriſt on;—thus the great work is done.

6 Walk in love, as Chriſt alſo hath loved us, and hath given himſelf for us an offering and a ſacrifice to God for a ſweet ſmelling ſavour. Eph. 5. 2.

That Sacrifice is now much preſs'd,—'cauſe it our doom from God redreſs'd:—his wages 'twas, to have us bleſs'd.

7 Our Lord Jeſus Chriſt died for us; that whether we wake or ſleep, we ſhould live together with him. 1 Theſſ. 5. 10.

From him unſever'd I remain.

8 If when we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more being

reconciled we ſhall be ſaved by his life. Rom. 5. 10.

God is well pleas'd with human race,—there's now confirm'd a laſting peace.

9 Through our Lord Jeſus Chriſt we have acceſs by faith into this grace, wherein we ſtand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God. Rom. 5. 2.

Into his wounds while we are here,—we'll look after our grace's ſhare,—and when above, ſhine in the dreſs—of his rich blood and righteouſneſs.

10 Jeſus Chriſt has been evidently ſet forth, crucified among you. Gal. 3. 1.

My eyes, O Lord Jeſu! 'till I expire,—be always fix'd on thee, this I deſire,—as all I want. Appear in that figure, as my kind Saviour,—when thou didſt bleed on th' croſs, out of mere favour—to me poor worm.

11 He being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God, but made himſelf of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a ſervant, and was made in the likeneſs of men, being found in faſhion as a man. Phil. 2. 6, 7.

Eternal God, can my great wretchedneſs—move thee to wear the abject human dreſs?

Week XVI. Palm S.

12 He humbled himſelf, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the croſs. Phil. 2. 8.

O boundleſs love! O love beyond expreſſion,—conſtraining thee to chuſe ſuch bitter paſſion.

13 Therefore God alſo hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name; that at the name of Jeſus every knee ſhould bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth,

earth, and things under the earth; and that every tongue ſhould confeſs, that Jeſus Chriſt is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. Phil. 2. 9, 10, 11.

All praiſe and honour doth pertain—unto the Lamb; for he was ſlain.

14 They have crucified the Lord of glory. 1 Cor. 2. 8.

I can for love-tears ſcarce find pow'r—juſt to relate the matter o'er:—his wounds yourſelves there look upon!

15 He hath blotted out the hand-writing of ordinances that was againſt us, which was contrary to us, and took it out of the way, nailing it to the croſs. Col. 2. 14.

The Maſter pays for ſervants miſbehaviour,—that loving Saviour!

16 (Maundy-Th.) He hath reconciled us in the body of his fleſh through death, to preſent us holy and unblameable and unreproveable in his ſight. Col. 1. 21, 22.

Sure as we're duſt and aſhes:—ſo ſure it is, that thy death-ſmart—us all to pure gold waſhes.

17 (Good-Fr.) Chriſt died for our ſins, according to the ſcriptures. 1 Cor. 15. 3.

Corpſe by death marr'd ſo,—ſoul full of death's woe;—may God chear you now!

18 (Eaſter-Eve.) Chriſt was buried according to the ſcriptures. 1 Cor. 15. 4.

With thy reſt in the grave, bleſs us, O dear Lord and God!

Week XVII. Eaſter.

19 Chriſt roſe again the third day, according to the ſcriptures. 1 Cor. 15. 4.

Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah! — now we ſhould ſing joyfully;—Chriſt will our comfort be.

20 Chriſt our paſſover is ſacrificed for us. 1 Cor. 5. 7.

On our hearts his blood we ſhew.

21 Remember that Jeſus Chriſt was raiſed from the dead. 2 Tim. 2. 8.

He, in ſoul and actions, his manhood proved,— and in his body ſhew'd the wounds beloved.

22 We know that Chriſt, being raiſed from the dead, dieth no more; death hath no more dominion over him. Rom. 6. 9.

Doth Jeſus live? why am I griev'd?—I can't be of my Head bereav'd.—Hallelujah!

23 In that he died, he died unto ſin once; but in that he liveth, he liveth unto God. Rom. 6. 10.

Our Lord Jeſus Chriſt, who hath,—by his dying, vanquiſh'd death,—is ariſen from the dead,— and hath ſin now captive led.

24 To this end Chriſt both died and roſe and revived, that he might be Lord both of the dead and living. Rom. 14. 9.

His is the praiſe. He triumph'd over ſin,—for our poor ſouls he did the law-ſuit win.—We are his poor people, to him we're cleaving,— till we ſee him on whom we are believing.— Hallelujah.

25 Jeſus

25 Jeſus Chriſt hath aboliſhed death, and hath brought life and immortality to light through the goſpel. 2 Tim. 1. 10.

Death itſelf ſhall never part—mine and my Redeemer's heart.

Week XVIII. Quaſimodog.

26 Ye are no more ſtrangers and foreigners, but fellow-citizens with the ſaints, and of the houſhold of God. Eph. 2. 19.

To him we wholly give—ourſelves this day anew,—as his own booty dearly gain'd,—his ſpoil and purchaſe due;—that with us he may do—what's pleaſing in his ſight,—and from us take whate'er he will,—whate'er he thinks not right.

27 As many of you as have been baptized into Chriſt, have put on Chriſt. Gal. 3. 27.

The Saviour's blood and righteouſneſs—our fin'ry is, our wedding-dreſs.

28 Know ye not that ſo many of us as were baptized into Jeſus Chriſt, were baptized into his death? Rom. 6. 3.

His death and paſſion ever,—till ſoul and body ſever,—ſhall in our heart's receſs remain.

29 We are buried with him by baptiſm into death: that like as Chriſt was raiſed up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even ſo we alſo ſhould walk in newneſs of life. Rom. 6. 4.

O let our forehead, eyes and breaſts, and all diſcover—the ſinner's happy heart in Jeſu's blood baptiz'd.

30 Chriſt loved the church, and gave himſelf for it, that he might ſanctify and cleanſe it with the waſhing of water by the word, that he might preſent it to himſelf a glorious church, not having ſpot

ſpot or wrinkle, or any ſuch thing; but that it ſhould be holy and without blemiſh. Eph. 5. 25, 26, 27.

Ye're elſe a people mean and low,—but now ye are God's honour;—his blood hath made it ſo.

MAY.

1 GIVE thanks unto the Father, which hath made us meet to be partakers of the inheritance of the ſaints in light, who hath delivered us from the power of darkneſs, and hath tranſlated us into the kingdom of his dear Son. Coloſſ. 1. 12, 13.

Such grace ſo great, immenſe—and love fatherly—did God to us diſpenſe,—and thro' mercy free—in Chriſt his Son beloved,—who gave himſelf for us,—by pity to us moved,—and dy'd upon the croſs.

2 He put all things under his feet, and gave him to be the head over all things to the church, which is his body, the fulneſs of him that filleth all. Eph. 1. 22, 23.

Thou Father of our Lord ſo dear!—for thy Son's ſake, who us hath made,—look on his ſinner-church now here.

Week XIX. 2 S. aft. Eaſter.

3 We are members of his body, of his fleſh, and of his bones. Eph. 5. 30.

O I—have joy,—that abiding—and reſiding—in my Lover;—I'm his body's living member.

4 I have eſpouſed you to one huſband, that I may preſent you as a chaſte virgin to Chriſt. 2 Cor. 11. 2.

Make th' virgin's choir an anſwer, when aſk'd: Why—the ſcripture does for clean heart virgin *ſay?*

5 Chriſt is the head of the church: and he is the Saviour of the body. Eph. 5. 23.

I of his body am a limb,—this is my conſolation.

6 No man ever yet hated his own fleſh; but nouriſheth and cheriſheth it, even as the Lord the church. Eph. 5. 29.

He upon his heart doth bear—hearts whom none can number,—th' Father gave them to his care, —they cauſe joy or cumber.

7 The houſe of God is the church of the living God. 1 Tim. 3. 15.

'Midſt her upon his throne,—her Friend is ſeated,— ſhe can't by th' evil one—or death be ſeparated.

8 Know ye not that ye are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwelleth in you? 1 Cor. 3. 16.

Who ſoul and body purifieth.

9 The God and Father of our Lord Jeſus Chriſt hath predeſtinated us unto the adoption of children by Jeſus Chriſt to himſelf, according to the good pleaſure of his will, to the praiſe of the glory of his grace, wherein he hath made us accepted in the Beloved. Eph. 1. 5, 6.

Thou who'rt the church's God alone,—accept the worſhip of thy own.

Week XX. 3 S. aft. Eaſter.

10 We have received, not the ſpirit of the world, but the ſpirit which is of God; that we might know the things that are freely given to us of God. 1 Cor. 2. 12.

O were I nothing knowing.—no thought henceforth beſtowing,—but on thee Lord, alone;—renouncing world's treaſures,—and fleſhly luſts and pleaſures,—Jeſus, my heart is quite thy own.

11 Ye have not received the ſpirit of bondage again to fear; but ye have received the ſpirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father! Rom. 8. 15.

His Spirit is the ſov'reign—poſſeſſor of my heart,—no grief dares there to govern,—he checks the deepeſt ſmart,—he gives his benediction;—and as he dwells in me,—cries abba in affliction—with holy fervency.

12 Ye are built upon the foundation of the apoſtles and prophets, Jeſus Chriſt himſelf being the chief corner-ſtone; in whom all the building fitly framed together groweth unto an holy temple in the Lord; in whom ye alſo are builded together for an habitation of God through the Spirit. Eph. 2. 20, 21, 22.

The houſe of God who views aright,—he ſees a glorious maſter-piece!—and muſt with wonder and delight—adore him, who the author is:—Th' eye ſees the beauty of its parts;—the ear partakes that harmony—wherewith the church his praiſe aſſexts;—what's felt, does yield the greateſt joy.

13 There is no difference between the Jew and the Greek: for the ſame Lord over all is rich unto all

all that call upon him; for whoſoever ſhall call upon the name of the Lord ſhall be ſaved. Rom. 10. 12, 13.

Ah! ſure if the whole race of men—to Jeſus would ſurrender,—the hand through pierced ſhould them then—on th' Father's altar tender.

14 Through him we both have acceſs by one Spirit unto the Father. Eph. 2. 18.

Thro' Chriſt at peace with God above;—our Father God, his children we.

15 In Chriſt Jeſus neither circumciſion availeth any thing, nor uncircumciſion, but a new creature. Gal. 6. 15.

Grace, which from Chriſt's wound-holes floweth,—makes us Abba ſay with praiſe:—From that moment, the ſoul goeth—forward, as a child of grace.

16 We are his workmanſhip, created in Chriſt Jeſus unto good works, which God hath before ordained, that we ſhould walk in them. Eph. 2. 10.

God gave us all his bleſſing free,—that we his ways may walk, and be—quite firm in the true faith and love. P. 1. p. 132.

Week XXI. 4 S. aft. Eaſter.

17 Rejoice, ye Gentiles, with his people. Rom. 15 10.

You friendly he is now inviting.

18 Blindneſs in part is happened to Iſrael, until the fulneſs of the Gentiles be come in; and ſo all Iſrael ſhall be ſaved. Rom. 11 25, 26.

O Jew moſt holy, when comes the promis'd hour?—when wilt thou call the old cov'nant-folk with pow'r?

19 I will call them my people, which were not my people; and her, Beloved, which was not my beloved. Rom. 9. 25.

O thou moſt gracious Saviour!—thou ſinner's Friend and Lover!—thou'ſt own'd us ſinners as thy folk.

20 I was found of them which ſought me not, I was made manifeſt unto them, that aſked not after me. Rom. 10. 20.

If thou hadſt not ſought us, and follow'd ever,—we had not ſought for thee, had known thee never.

21 O the depth of the riches both of the wiſdom and knowledge of God! how unſearchable are his judgments, and his ways paſt finding out! for who hath known the mind of the Lord? or who hath been his counſellor? or who hath firſt given to him, and it ſhall be recompenſed unto him again? Rom. 11. 33, 34, 35.

Here we in ſilence bow.

22 Continue ye in the faith grounded and ſettled, and be not moved away from the hope of the goſpel, which ye have heard. Col. 1. 23.

Thy ſure heart keep us ever,—until thy face we ſee!—what violence can ſever—us two eternally?

23 He which ſtabliſheth us with you in Chriſt, and hath anointed us, is God: who hath alſo ſealed us, and given the earneſt of the Spirit in our hearts. 2 Cor. 1. 21, 22.

The Spirit which while living—as aid to us is given,—to lead us in a path moſt clear.

Week XXII. 5 S. aft. Eaſter.

24 Ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, and in your ſpirit, which are God's. 1 Cor. 6. 20.

Thine is my ſpirit wholly,—thine is my ſoul and body,—thine the blood within my veins:—Thou haſt bought us by thy pains.

25 The

25 The Father of our Lord Jeſus Chriſt grant you, according to the riches of his glory, to be ſtrengthened with might by his Spirit in the inner man. Eph. 3. 16.

Thy pow'r divine and glorious,—make us, tho' weak, victorious,—thro' Jeſus Chriſt our Lord, Amen!

26 That Chriſt may dwell in your hearts by faith, and that you be rooted and grounded in love. Eph. 3. 17.

O ground us ſo in thee and in thy love,—that nothing may be able us to move.

27 He which hath begun a good work in you, will perform it until the day of Jeſus Chriſt. Phil. 1. 6.

This too to me is clear,—that I no parting fear;—that, thro' his mercy free,—his I ſhall ever be;—nor ſhame, nor honour vain,—ſhall part us two again.

28 (Aſcenſ. D.) Chriſt is even at the right hand of God, who alſo maketh interceſſion for us. Rom. 8. 34.

Since He into the holy place—once with his own blood enter'd has.

29 The Lord Jeſus Chriſt is our hope. 1 Tim. 1. 1.

That his joy and comfort—we ſhould fully be.

30 I know whom I have believed, and I am perſuaded that he is able to keep that which I have committed unto him againſt that day. 2 Tim. 1. 12.

Things e'er ſo great or little,—whatever they may prove,—they ſhall me not a tittle—from his dear heart remove.

Week XXIII. S. aft. Aſcenſion.

31 God hath not given us the ſpirit of fear, but of power, and of love, and of a ſound mind. 2 Tim. 1. 7.

My heart he compoſes, and ſooths it to reſt;—thoughts craving and gloomy—he baniſhes from me,—I wiſh but what Jeſus my Bridegroom ſees beſt.

JUNE.

1 CHriſt Jeſus is of God made unto us ſanctification. 1 Cor. 1. 30.

We are poor children ſmall and mean,—who in ourſelves are nought but ſin,—but his wounds roſes fragrancy—perfumes us to a ſanctuary.

2 We thus judge, that if one died for all, then were all dead; and that he died for all, that they which live, ſhould not henceforth live unto themſelves, but unto him, which died for them, and roſe again. 2 Cor. 5. 14, 15.

Thro' all life's hours and ſtations,—I'm under obligations,—the higheſt to thee, Lamb!—as far as they are able,—ſhall ſoul and body, ſtable,—devote their ſervice to thy name.

3 Reckon ye yourſelves to be dead indeed unto ſin, but alive unto God through Jeſus Chriſt our Lord. Let not ſin therefore reign in your mortal body, that ye ſhould obey it in the luſts thereof. Rom. 6. 11, 12.

And ſay to cov'touſneſs, luſt, pride,—my Lord deſtroy'd you when he dy'd.

4 Every

4 Every one of you ſhould know how to poſſeſs his veſſel in ſanctification and honour. 1 Theſſ. 4. 4.

For this ſake my dying bones I honour,—ſince with his they're of one ſtuff and tenour.

5 Know ye not that your bodies are the members of Chriſt? 1 Cor. 6. 15.

O were we without ſtrange deſire,—ſo void of foreign ſtrength and fire,—ſo dead to all corruption baſe,—as formerly to righteouſneſs!

6 Know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghoſt, which is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own. 1 Cor. 6. 19.

Th' incarnate Word fill up the ſoul;—thou for thy dwelling fit the whole,—God Holy Ghoſt, ſweet Comforter!

Week XXIV. Whitſunday.

7 Grieve not the Holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are ſealed unto the day of redemption. Eph. 4. 30.

Now, thou tender Mother heart,—I come childlikely to thee;—if I cauſe thee yet ſome ſmart,—be ſo kind to ſhew it me.

8 The Spirit itſelf beareth witneſs with our ſpirit, that we are the children of God. Rom. 8. 16.

All our ſouls and ſpirits, O be thou filling,—our bodies hallow'd by thee, be thy dwelling,—God Holy Ghoſt.

9 The Spirit helpeth our infirmities; for we know not what we ſhould pray for as we ought; but the Spirit itſelf maketh interceſſion for us with groanings which cannot be uttered. Rom. 8. 26.

He now ſpeaketh for us, on the throne glorious,—and alſo in our hearts he ſpeaks melodious,—peace, certain peace.

10 Ye are not in the fleſh, but in the ſpirit. Now if any man have not the Spirit of Chriſt, he is none of his. Rom. 8. 9.

'Midſt nature's beſt vivacity,—he's a dead man who has not thee.

11 They that are after the fleſh do mind the things of the fleſh, but they that are after the ſpirit, the things of the ſpirit; for to be carnally minded is death, but to be ſpiritually minded is life and peace. Becauſe the carnal mind is enmity againſt God. Rom. 8. 5, 6, 7.

Preſerve us, Lord, we ardent pray,—from ſinful will and works alway.

12 He that is joined unto the Lord is one ſpirit. 1 Cor. 6. 17.

Tho' my body me oppreſſeth,—yet my ſoul my Lord embraceth,—and I'm fully it proclaiming,—him alone I'm gladly naming.

13 As many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the ſons of God. Rom. 8. 14.

Let thy Spirit rule our ſpirit—ev'ry day more inwardly,—let thy grace and love and merit—to our hearts ſtill clearer be.—Be thou nearer ſtill and nearer,—brighter ſtill thyſelf diſplay,—dearer to our hearts and dearer,—more beloved ev'ry day.

Week XXV. Trinity-S.

14 Becauſe ye are ſons, God hath ſent forth the ſpirit of his Son in your hearts, crying, Abba, Father. Gal. 4. 6.

How happy is he who Him truly knoweth,—and Abba, Father, to him now can cry;—bleſt thoſe, whom he to be his own alloweth,—and as his ſons and daughters he doth eye.

15 If

15 If we are children, then we are heirs; heirs of God and joint-heirs with Chriſt: if ſo be that we ſuffer with him, that we may be alſo glorified together. Rom. 8. 17.

No eye did e'er behold,—no ear hath e'er been told,
—ſuch news joyous!—O happineſs,—in this
time's ſpace,—and thro' that day which ne'er
ſhall ceaſe.

16 We have this treaſure in earthen veſſels, that the excellency of the power may be of God, and not of us. 2 Cor. 4. 7.

Let thy might divine and near—bear our weak fleſh
up, while here.

17 Ye are the temple of the living God: As God hath ſaid, I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they ſhall be my people. 2 Cor. 6. 16.

God is with us preſent;—let us here adore him,—
and with awe now ſtand before him.

18 I beſeech you, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye preſent your bodies a living ſacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reaſonable ſervice. Rom. 12. 1.

Lord, thro' thy blood's effuſion,—let me belong to
thee;—then I have in full meaſure—all I can
wiſh for here.

19 To whom ye yield yourſelves ſervants to obey, his ſervants ye are to whom ye obey; whether of ſin unto death, or of obedience unto righteouſneſs. Rom. 6. 16.

We hearts and hands deliver,—and promiſe thee for
ever,—that we thy faithful ſouls will be.

20 Neither yield ye your members as inſtruments of unrighteouſneſs unto ſin: but yield yourſelves

unto God, as thoſe that are alive from the dead, and your members as inſtruments of righteouſneſs unto God; for ſin ſhall not have dominion over you: for ye are not under the law, but under grace. Rom. 6. 13, 14.

Soul, ſpirit, body, I give thee,—mould me as thou ſhalt chooſe,—that I may praiſe thee worthily,—dwell in me, I'm thy houſe.

Week XXVI. 1 S. aft. Trin.

21 Now the Lord is that Spirit: and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty. 2 Cor. 3. 17.

Then the body, heart and mind,—grace o'erflow-eth.

22 Do we then make void the law through faith? God forbid: yea, we eſtabliſh the law. Rom. 3. 31.

What he us commandeth,—are ſuch things entirely,—which we would have done more early;—which we too—now can do.

23 Brethren, ye have been called unto liberty: only uſe not liberty for an occaſion to the fleſh. Gal. 5. 13.

What none as bad avows,—what ev'ry one allows,—that we can ne'er admit as good,—till own'd as ſuch by Chriſt our God.

24 (St. John B.) Let this mind be in you, which was alſo in Chriſt Jeſus. Phil. 2. 5.

O grant us this as our own ſpecial bleſſing,—for thy wound's ſake, may we this be poſſeſſing.

25 Examine yourſelves, whether ye be in the faith; prove your own ſelves. Know ye not your own ſelves, how that Jeſus Chriſt is in you? 2 Cor. 13. 5.

Our hearts ſhall e'er be ſighing,—when they don't feel his blood;—our eyes ſhall e'er be crying,—if ought

ought elſe appears good—but his death's bloody figure;—let ſoul and ſpirit now—cloſely confer together,—if blood don't thro' us flow.

26 If we would judge ourſelves, we ſhould not be judged. But when we are judged, we are chaſtened of the Lord, that we ſhould not be condemned with the world. 1 Cor. 11. 31, 32.

Judge our hearts betimes, dear Saviour!—e'er thou doſt as Judge appear,—and be thou both now and ever—our true Prince, moſt kind and dear.

27 In Him ye are circumciſed with the circumciſion made without hands. Col. 2. 11.

To mortify ſin in our will and ſenſes.

Week XXVII. 2 S. aft. Trin.

28 Circumciſion is that of the heart, in the ſpirit. Rom. 2. 29.

Take and mortify and kill—my own mind and my own will:—tear what's ſelf out of my heart,—tho' it coſts me keeneſt ſmart.

29 We know this, that our old man is crucified with him, that the body of ſin might be deſtroyed, that henceforth we ſhould not ſerve ſin. Rom. 6. 6.

Keep and preſerve us ev'ry day—from ſin, that greateſt ill, we pray.

30 They that are Chriſt's, have crucified the fleſh, with the affections and luſts. Gal. 5. 24.

Do I look with inlineſs,—Lord! on thy moſt tormenting load,—which thou bor'ſt for me, my God!—Thus I'm ſteady in devotion,—this expels each luſt's emotion.

JULY.

1 NONE of us liveth to himſelf, and no man dieth to himſelf. For whether we live, we live unto the Lord; and whether we die, we die unto the Lord: whether we live therefore, or die, we are the Lord's. Rom. 14. 7, 8.

Hallow, O Immanuel!—to thee all our moments;—we commend us to thy ſoul—and protecting torments.

2 (Viſit. of M.) I live; yet not I, but Chriſt liveth in me; and the life which I now live in the fleſh, I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himſelf for me. Gal. 2. 20.

Now take my heart, and all whate'er I am,—and ſeal it ever thine, my deareſt Lamb!—I'll wholly be—throughout thy property.—My ſpeech and my behaviour—rule by thy will, my Saviour!

3 Be ye ſincere and without offence till the day of Chriſt; being filled with the fruits of righteouſneſs, which are by Jeſus Chriſt, unto the glory and praiſe of God. Phil. 1. 10, 11.

My heart ſhall bloſſom, Lord, for thee,—its fruits be thanks and praiſe,—and to thy ſervice I will be—devoted, all my days.

4 As the body is one, and hath many members, and all the members of that one body, being many, are one body: ſo alſo is Chriſt. 1 Cor. 12. 12.

We know that we are members—of this his body dear.

Week

Week XXVIII. 3 S. aft. Trin.

5 By one Spirit are we all baptized into one body; and have been all made to drink into one Spirit. 1 Cor. 12. 13.

We ſwear that heartineſs to thee,—that's felt by blood-relations.

6 The cup of bleſſing which we bleſs, is it not the communion of the blood of Chriſt? The bread which we break, is it not the communion of the body of Chriſt? 1 Cor. 10. 16.

O the wonders deep and bleſſed,—by God's Spirit alone expreſſed!

7 I have received of the Lord that which alſo I delivered unto you. That the Lord Jeſus, the ſame night in which he was betrayed, took bread: and when he had given thanks, he brake it, and ſaid, Take, eat, this is my body which is broken for you. This do in remembrance of me. 1 Cor. 11. 23, 24.

O how uſe I oft with crying—after this food to be ſighing!

8 After the ſame manner alſo he took the cup, when he had ſupped, ſaying, This cup is the New Teſtament in my blood; this do ye as oft as ye drink it, in remembrance of me. 1 Cor. 11. 25.

O how uſe I to be thirſting—for the drink from life's Prince burſting!

9 Let a man examine himſelf, and ſo let him eat of that bread, and drink of that cup. 1 Cor. 11. 28.

At thy feet I here fall proſtrate,—thy aim let me no ways fruſtrate;—but to th' beſt'ring my condition —and thy praiſe, ſhare this nutrition.

10 He

10 He that eateth and drinketh unworthily, eateth and drinketh damnation to himſelf, not diſcerning the Lord's body. 1 Cor. 11. 29.

Jeſu, bread of life moſt dainty!—be this act to me not empty;—much leſs let me, to my damage,—draw nigh without hearty homage.

11 As often as ye eat this bread, and drink this cup, ye do ſhew the Lord's death till he come. 1 Cor. 11, 26.

O, was my ev'ry pulſe al-way—his paſſion but repeating,—until his marriage-day.

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12 As ye have received Chriſt Jeſus the Lord, ſo walk ye in him. Col. 2. 6.

Lord Chriſt, thou my life's light!—grant that in all my motions,—thy wounds rays may be—a clear light to me.

13 Ye are all the children of light, and the children of the day. 1 Theſſ. 5. 5.

Where'er Jeſus dwells, in grace,—there no darkneſs can have place.

14 Whom he did foreknow, he alſo did predeſtinate to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firſt-born among many brethren. Rom. 8. 29.

With tears of love we're thee beſeeching,—in thy image form thou us.

15 The love of God is ſhed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghoſt, which is given unto us. Rom. 5. 5.

This is the fire, that burns within.

16 The love of Chriſt conſtraineth us. 2 Cor. 5. 14.

To live to him, that he only e'er me—can rejoice, pleaſe his eyes dear.

17 Charity

17 Charity never faileth; but whether there be prophecies, they ſhall fail; whether there be tongues, they ſhall ceaſe; whether there be knowledge, it ſhall vaniſh away. 1 Cor. 13. 8.

I'll fear, reſpect and love thee longer,—than while my heart its pulſe repeats:—for when it no more throbs and beats,—my love's flame ſhall break forth ſtill ſtronger.

18 Though I ſpeak with the tongues of men and of angels, and have not charity; I am become as ſounding braſs, or a tinkling cymbal. 1 Cor. 13. 1.

Would ye be trumpets of his grace, firſt be—partakers of true grace moſt certainly.

Week XXX. 5 S. aft. Trin.

19 Though I have the gift of prophecy, and underſtand all myſteries and all knowledge, and though I have all faith, ſo that I could remove mountains, and have not charity, I am nothing. 1 Cor. 13. 2.

Without love a man lives not,—(ſuch we pity)—love makes living weighty.

20 Though I beſtow all my goods to feed the poor, and though I give my body to be burned, and have not charity, it profiteth me nothing. 1 Cor. 13. 1.

O may my life and labour—ſhew what on me thou'ſt done,—by loving well my neighbour,—and ſerving ev'ry one—without ſelf-int'reſt or diſguiſe;—and may thy love's example—be my beſt exerciſe.

21 Now abideth faith, hope, charity, theſe three, but the greateſt of theſe is charity. 1 Cor. 13. 13.

Hoping and believing are a great bleſſing,—but he that loveth, muſt be poſſeſſing.

22 The

22 The love of Chriſt paſſeth knowledge. Eph. 3. 19.

Thou abyſs which haſt no bottom.—how can my ſpirit, poor and weak,—thy amazing love e'er fathom,—tho' the greateſt pains I take?

23 The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, long-ſuffering, gentleneſs, goodneſs, faith, meekneſs, temperance. Gal. 5. 22.

Lovely, thro' grace, do thoſe appear—who as his children fitted are.

24 Rejoice in the Lord always, and again I ſay, rejoice. Phil. 4. 4.

And think not, at that ſeaſon,—of this life's irkſome priſon,—a heart with Chriſt united,—in time, can quite forget it.

25 Whether ye eat or drink, or whatſoever ye do, do all to the glory of God. 1 Cor. 10. 31.

What we think or do,—blood be mix'd all thro'.

Week XXXI. 6 S. aft. Trin.

26 Every creature of God is good, and nothing to be refuſed, if it be received with thankſgiving. 1 Tim. 4. 4.

We give thanks, and pray him now—Spirit's mind on us t' beſtow,—that his grace we may know well.

27 Be renewed in the ſpirit of your mind, and put on the new man, which after God is created in righteouſneſs and true holineſs. Epheſ. 4. 23, 24.

Of thy great love, us deaden,—and quicken by thy grace:—that our old man down trodden,—the new may take his place;—and ſo on this ſtage mortal,—may ſerve thee with the total—of thought and wiſh and ſtrength.

28 Do

28 Do all things without murmurings and diſputings; that ye may be blameleſs and harmleſs, the ſons of God, without rebuke, in the midſt of a crooked and perverſe nation, among whom ye ſhine as lights in the world, holding forth the word of life. Phil. 2. 14, 15, 16.

May my ſoul an honour be—unto thee,—and my words and whole behaviour—prove my walk with thee, O Saviour!—and thy friendſhip unto me.

29 Let all things be done decently and in order. 1 Cor. 14. 40.

This houſe ſhall ever,—and thoſe who dwell therein,—his praiſe diſcover.

30 We preach Chriſt, warning every man, and teaching every man in all wiſdom, that we may preſent every man perfect in Chriſt Jeſus. Col. 1. 28.

That he his creatures with joy may ſee.

31 Now the God of patience and conſolation grant you to be like minded one towards another, according to Chriſt Jeſus; that ye may with one mind, and one mouth glorify God, even the Father of our Lord Jeſus Chriſt. Rom. 15. 5, 6.

We in one covenant are join'd,—as one before him are,—with voices and with hearts combin'd—we will his praiſe declare;—the ſongs of all ſhall be as one,—and in juſt concert move,—no hour ſhall find another tone,—but that of praiſe and love.

1 ENdeavour to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. Eph. 4. 3.

Lord, lift up thy face—o'er the church always,—and ſend her thy peace.

Week XXXII. 7 S. aft. Trin.

2 Ye yourſelves are taught of God to love one another. 1 Theſſ. 4. 9.

Church, love then mutu'lly,—in truth and inwardly,—with moſt ſoft affection.

3 As we have many members in one body, and all members have not the ſame office: ſo we being many are one body in Chriſt, and every one members one of another; having gifts differing according to the grace that is given us. Rom. 12. 4, 5, 6.

Ev'ry one ſtir up his brother—to exert his ev'ry pow'r,—thus encourage each the other—to rejoice our Lord each hour.

4 Unto every one of us is given grace, according to the meaſure of the gift of Chriſt. Eph. 4. 7.

Give us what thy own mind decrees,—and what thy children muſt poſſeſs,—that they may ſerve thee with ſucceſs.

5 For the perfecting of the ſaints, for the work of the miniſtry, for the edification of the body of Chriſt; till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God. Eph. 4. 12, 13.

Almighty Lord, true God indeed!—Creator of all nature!—my Reconciler, white and red!—cauſe us to reach thy ſtature.

6 Whether

6 Whether one member ſuffer, all the members ſuffer with it. 1 Cor. 12. 26.

Thro' faithful hearts' affection,—and cloſeſt love's connexion, — touch'd by each fellow-member's ſmart.

7 Speaking the truth in love, we may grow up into him in all things, which is the head, even Chriſt. Eph. 4. 15.

Grant that we, in thee dwelling,—may grow inceſſantly;—thy Spirit us impelling—to works which honour thee.

8 From whom the whole body fitly joined together, and compacted by that which every joint ſupplieth, according to the effectual working in the meaſure of every part, maketh increaſe of the body, unto the edifying of itſelf in love. Eph. 4. 16.

O may it be deep impreſſed,—our love's covenant, ſo precious:—Crown it, Jeſus!—may it evermore remain;—joy and pain—muſt it ſtill more precious render.

Week XXXIII. 8 S. aft. Trin.

9 There is one body, and one Spirit, even as ye are called in one hope of your calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptiſm, one God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all. Eph. 4. 4, 5, 6.

Bow down before him,—O hearts, O brotherhood!—ſing and adore him,—the man who ſhed his blood,—ſing ye,—Holy, holy, holy!

10 There are diverſities of gifts: but the ſame Spirit. There are differences of adminiſtrations; but the ſame Lord: and there are diverſities of

operations; but it is the ſame God which worketh all in all. 1 Cor. 12. 4, 5. 6.

Therefore we'll be praiſing—the Father, Son and Spirit,—and be thank-off'rings raiſing,—till we ſhall heav'n inherit.

11 The manifeſtation of the Spirit is given to every man to profit withal. 1 Cor. 12. 7.

Kindle love-flames, by thy bleeding,—that to each it may appear,—that we from one head proceeding, —cloſe united, as one are.

12 All theſe worketh that one and the ſelf-ſame Spirit, dividing to every man ſeverally as he will. 1 Cor. 12. 11.

We're thankful for all gifts from him,—which we've receiv'd from time to time;—and now we do our Lord implore,—that he would henceforth give us more.

13 Unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we aſk or think, according to the power that worketh in us, unto him be glory in the church by Chriſt Jeſus throughout all ages, world without end. Amen. Eph. 3. 20, 21.

Hereto we chearful ſay, Amen!—This truth is moſt avow'd,—That we in ſpirit, body, ſoul,—are bound to ſerve that God,—who touch'd, and drew, and woo'd our hearts,—and conquer'd us by love;—to him we have engag'd ourſelves,— O may we faithful prove!

14 Ye are manifeſtly declared to be the epiſtle of Chriſt, written not with ink, but with the Spirit of the living God, not in tables of ſtone, but in the fleſhly tables of the heart. 2 Cor. 3. 3.

To ſouls true ſight poſſeſſing,—an object fair and pleaſing.

15 Be

15 Be ye followers of God, as dear children. Eph. 5. 1.

Now, dearest Lord, so form thou me,—for time and for eternity,—as thou would'st have thy poorest child.

Week XXXIV. 9 S. aft. Trin.

16 Be ye rooted and built up in him, and stablished in the faith, as ye have been taught, abounding therein with thanksgiving. Col. 2. 7.

O let our souls sink deeper in—thy blood's unfathom'd ocean!—our pasture-ground be always green,—let's feed upon thy passion.

17 Speak to yourselves in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord; giving thanks always for all things unto God and the Father, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Eph. 5. 19, 20.

Now then in hymns of praise,—like one man sweetly raise,—voices quite united;—with your liturgic lays—your soul's spouse is delighted;—he with gracious ear—your hearts tone will hear!—feel him: He is near.

18 Comfort yourselves together, and edify one another. 1 Thess. 5. 11.

Now brethren and sisters, we'll join hands in love,—in all places faithful to Jesus to prove.

19 I say through the grace given unto me, to every man that is among you, not to think of himself more highly, than he ought to think; but to think soberly, according as God hath dealt to every man the measure of faith. Rom. 12. 3.

Blessed all who in lowliness—go in and out 'fore thee!

20 Put on, as the elect of God holy and beloved, bowels of mercies, kindneſs, humbleneſs of mind, meekneſs, long-ſuffering; forbearing one another, and forgiving one another, if any man has a quarrel againſt any: even as Chriſt forgave you, ſo alſo do ye. And above all theſe things put on charity, which is the bond of perfectneſs, Col. 3. 12, 13, 14.

Give to me the Spirit mild,—which with tenderneſs is fill'd,—this in me—a pearl be,—and a dreſs moſt coſtly ſtil'd,—and lov'd by thee.

21 Be kindly affectioned one to another with brotherly love; in honour preferring one another. Rom. 12. 10.

A hearty mind and true childlikeneſs,—on all occaſions be our dreſs,—and thy dear blood's ſprinkling,—from thy wounds precious,—preſerve us, at all times, O deareſt Jeſus!

22 Let no man ſeek his own, but every man another's wealth. 1 Cor. 10. 24.

Lord Jeſu, teach thou me,—that I herein may be—made like unto thee.

Week XXXV. 10 S. aft. Trin.

23 In lowlineſs of mind let each eſteem other better than themſelves. Phil. 2. 3.

For if on ſoul or body—he pours out his ointment bloody,—which ſpeaks better things than Abel,—then one is ineſtimable.

24 I would have you wiſe unto that which is good, and ſimple concerning evil. Rom. 16. 19.

Give us eyes dull and weary—for things not ſalutary,—but eyes of cleareſt viſion—for all thy truth's fruition.

25 Let

25 Let no corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth, but that which is good, to the uſe of edifying, that it may miniſter grace to the hearers. Eph. 4. 29.

Be to us a caution monitory!

26 Rejoice evermore. Pray without ceaſing. In every thing give thanks: for this is the will of God in Chriſt Jeſus concerning you. 1 Theſſ. 5. 16, 17, 18.

How happy is a worm, tho' poor,—amidſt the wounds enjoyment;—to be with Lamb's blood cover'd o'er,—and that each hour and moment;—from morning on till late at night,—ſpent in one pure divine delight,—'tis this makes life important.

27 Pray ye always with all prayer and ſupplication in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all perſeverance, and ſupplication for all ſaints. Eph. 6. 18.

When we make ſupplication,—make thou the fumigation,—and thou thyſelf hold up our hands.

28 Whatſoever things are true, whatſoever things are honeſt, whatſoever things are juſt, whatſoever things are pure, whatſoever things are lovely, whatſoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praiſe, think on theſe things. Phil. 4. 8.

We would a people be to thy heart's pleaſure,—for all thy tortures, which exceed all meaſure.

29 In all things let us approve ourſelves as the miniſters of God. 2 Cor. 6. 4.

That whoſoever ſees us,—muſt be ſo ſtruck, as did he ſee—the holy young man Jeſus.

Week XXXVI. 11 S. aft. Trin.

30 I can do all things through Chriſt, which ſtrengtheneth me. Phil. 4. 13.

When my nat'ral ſtrength is ſhrinking,—in the time of utmoſt need,—he my God ſteps in with ſpeed,—and recovers me from ſinking.

31 Ye come behind in no gift; waiting for the coming of our Lord Jeſus Chriſt, who ſhall alſo confirm you unto the end, that ye may be blameleſs in the day of our Lord Jeſus Chriſt. 1 Cor. 1. 7, 8.

Let our white robe of righteouſneſs—be in thy blood kept clean always,—till thou above ſtill of thy bride—the Temple, Light, and Lamb abide.

SEPTEMBER.

1 BLeſſed be the God and Father of our Lord Jeſus Chriſt, who hath bleſſed us with all ſpiritual bleſſings in heavenly places in Chriſt. Eph. 1. 3.

And to fulfil that counſel aid,—which counſel from eternity,—for love's ſake to the only Son,—the holy bleſſed Trinity—in the Lamb's book had noted down.

2 We beſeech you, that ye receive not the grace of God in vain. 2 Cor. 6. 1.

We will remain his ſinners,—in heart clean, humble, plain:—and have in hand his matters,—till we his aim attain.

3 Watch ye, ſtand faſt in the faith, quit you like men, be ſtrong. 1 Cor. 16. 13.

Here is our hand! us, Lord, aſſiſt!

4 Be not conformed to this world; but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove, what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God. Rom. 12. 2.

O thou Bridegroom of the ſoul,—ſhould a heart who names thee truly,—knows thee wholly,—follow any other ſtar?—Be that far.

5 Be fervent in ſpirit. Rom. 12. 11.

And ev'ry thought be—ev'n ſick to attain thy familiarity.

Week XXXVII. 12 S. aft. Trin.

6 The end of the commandment is charity out of a pure heart, and of a good conſcience, and of faith unfeigned. 1 Tim. 1. 5.

And who doth that faith beſtow, but thou?

7 Huſbands, love your wives, even as Chriſt alſo loved the church, and gave himſelf for it. Wives, ſubmit yourſelves unto your own huſbands, as unto the Lord. As the church is ſubject unto Chriſt, ſo let the wives be unto their own huſbands in every thing. Eph. 5. 25, 22, 24.

And in ev'ry marriage be—ſeen the true repreſentation—of the Head of the congregation,—and the church's images.

8 I will that men pray every where, lifting up holy hands, without wrath and doubting. 1 Tim. 2. 8.

To themſelves always preſent,—to thee each minute pleaſant,—and quick to run at thy eye's beck.

9 In like manner alſo, that women adorn themſelves in modeſt apparel, with ſhamefacedneſs and ſobriety; not with broidered hair, or gold,

or

or pearls, or coſtly array; but (which becometh women profeſſing godlineſs) with good works. 1 Tim. 2. 9, 10.

Out of each body's houſe be ſeen—the poor one of the Lord within.

10 Children, obey your parents in the Lord: for this is right. Eph. 6. 1.

Jeſus! hear me;—make me to be obedient in all things like thee.

11 The unmarried woman [virgin] careth for the things of the Lord, that ſhe may be holy both in body and in ſpirit. 1 Cor. 7. 34.

Let none be found, deareſt Saviour,—who don't in their look diſcover—that they're cleans'd, in virgin's order,—thro' blood, from ſin's deep diſorder.

12 Honour widows that are widows indeed. Now ſhe that is a widow indeed, and deſolate, truſteth in God, and continueth in ſupplications and prayers night and day. 1 Tim. 5. 3, 5.

We wiſh them, with heart's tenderneſs,—a daily joy in his embrace.

Week XXXVIII. 13 S. aft. Trin.

13 Know them which labour among you, and are over you in the Lord, and admoniſh you; eſteem them very highly in love for their work's ſake. 1 Theſſ. 5. 12, 13.

May our God, who is love, them bleſs,—that on the good they're doing,—yea, on their toil and faithfulneſs,—blood from his heart be flowing.

14 It is required in ſtewards, that a man be found faithful. 1 Cor. 4. 2.

Tho' it might ſeem as were nought done—by all his ſervants labour.

15 Let

15 Let the elders that rule well be counted worthy of double honour, eſpecially they who labour in the word and doctrine. 1 Tim. 5. 17.

Anoint thy ſervants fervent—by thy ſtate as a ſervant,—in thy own congregation;—it's our joint ſupplication.

16 The Lord is at hand; be careful for nothing: but in every thing by prayer and ſupplication with thankſgiving, let your requeſts be made known unto God. Phil. 4. 5, 6.

The Lord has ever to his flock—kept without ſeparation;—he does abide our ſhield and rock,—our peace and our ſalvation.

17 The deacons muſt hold the myſtery of the faith in a pure conſcience. 1 Tim. 3. 9.

That the fiend may ſully never—thy folks witneſs crown, wherever—on the earth they for thee, dwell.

18 They that have uſed the office of a deacon well, purchaſe to themſelves a good degree, and great boldneſs in the faith which is in Chriſt Jeſus. 1 Tim. 3. 13.

Grant that I, by pure impulſe moved,—in ſmall things be faithful proved,—have in me till hence I'm flying—one on whom thou art relying.

19 They which have believed in God, muſt be careful to maintain good works. Tit. 3. 8.

Bleſs all I do, each hour;—yea, each word, and reflection,—keep by the Spirit's pow'r—under thy ſole direction,—that all, to thy Name's praiſe,—alone performed be,—and I, unmov'd, always—remain thy property.

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Week XXXIX. 14 S. aft. Trin.

20 The kingdom of God is righteouſneſs, and peace, and joy in the Holy Ghoſt; for he that in theſe things ſerveth Chriſt, is acceptable to God, and approved of men. Rom. 14. 17, 18.

Our hearts, O Lord, thou doſt know;—our hand now—take as pledge of ev'ry motion,—as th' effect of love's devotion,—for what blood on us conferr'd.

21 Godlineſs is profitable unto all things, having promiſe of the life that now is, and of that which is to come. 1 Tim. 4. 8.

Who once knows thee, as his kind friend,—his happineſs can never end.

22 Godlineſs with contentment is great gain. For we brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out. 1 Tim. 6. 6, 7.

While Jeſus I'm poſſeſſing—I have no lack of bleſſing;—the fulneſs of his treaſure—makes me rich beyond meaſure.

23 Having food and raiment, let us be therewith content; but they that will be rich fall into temptation and a ſnare, and into many fooliſh and hurtful luſts, which drown men in deſtruction and perdition; for the love of money is the root of all evil. 1 Tim 6. 8, 9, 10.

Let nought to thy heart be cleaving,—fly from ev'ry hidden curſe.

24 Them which walk among you diſorderly, working not at all, but are buſy-bodies, we command and exhort by our Lord Jeſus Chriſt, that with quietneſs they work, and eat their own bread. 2 Theſſ. 3. 11, 12.

His faithfulneſs in his handicraft, make us faithful on our part!

25 Charge

25 Charge them that are rich in this world, that they be not high-minded, nor truſt in uncertain riches, but in the living God, who giveth us richly all things to enjoy; that they do good, that they be rich in good works, ready to diſtribute, willing to communicate; laying up in ſtore for themſelves a good foundation againſt the time to come, that they may lay hold on eternal life. 1 Tim. 6. 17, 18, 19.

He, only he, unto me gave—my body, ſoul, and all I have,—while on this earth I'm living;—that I may uſe them to his praiſe,—and ſerve my neighbour all my days:—be he his grace me giving.

26 Let every ſoul be ſubject unto the higher powers. For there is no power but of God: the powers that be are ordained of God. Rom. 13. 1.

Thy hearty ſubjection, obtain for us an obedient heart!

Week XL. 15 S. aft. Trin.

27 I exhort therefore that firſt of all, ſupplications, prayers, interceſſions, and giving of thanks, be made for all men. 1 Tim. 2. 1.

Think on thy own moſt bitter death,—thy five dear wounds and thorny wreath;—for they have full atonement made,—for all the world a ranſom paid.

28 For kings, and for all that are in authority, that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life, in all godlineſs and honeſty. 1 Tim. 2. 2.

Lord Jeſus Chriſt, each ardent ſigh,—which we for them do offer,—with thy blood ſanctify.

29 (St. Mich.) Now unto the principalities and powers in heavenly places is made known by

the church the manifold wiſdom of God. Eph. 3. 10.

To whom the myſtery of Chriſt,—and of the ſeven ſtars of his,—ev'n to inſtruct th' angelic choirs,—revealed and committed is.

30 Let your converſation be as it becometh the goſpel of Chriſt. Phil. 1. 27.

Come now, O Lord Jeſu!—come worthy Son of God!—bring to that bleſt iſſue—our hearts before thee bow'd.

OCTOBER.

1 THOU, my ſon, be ſtrong in the grace that is in Chriſt Jeſus. 2 Tim. 2. 1.

Thy Spirit of gladneſs give us pow'r,—heal us with all thy bruiſes.

2 Stir up the gift of God which is in thee. 2 Tim. 1. 6.

Let none among us e'er be indolent,—rouſe up our heart, our mind, and body's tent!—render thou ſucceſsful each ſtep and action,—which we do under thy ſole direction—in childlikeneſs.

3 The Lord Jeſus Chriſt be with thy ſpirit. 2 Tim. 4. 22.

O bleſs thou me—ſo ſenſibly,—that body, ſoul and ſpirit,—may in God my Saviour joy,—'midſt all my demerit.

Week XLI. 16 S. aft. Trin.

4 Keep that which is committed to thy truſt. 1 Tim. 6. 20.

Remain unmov'd by the wound's covenant.

5 Take

5 Take heed unto thyſelf. 1 Tim. 4. 16.
Take thou of my heart good care,—thou beſt know'ſt how ſouls to nouriſh.

6 Avoid profane and vain babblings and oppoſitions of ſcience, falſly ſo called. 1 Tim. 6. 20.
Preſerve us clean throughout our race—from this vain generation;—from all entanglement, thy grace—keep us on each occaſion.

7 Keep thyſelf pure. 1 Tim. 5. 22.
Preſerve us undefil'd to thee,—in thy wounds fortreſs conſtantly,—by hoſtile pow'r quite undiſmay'd,—much leſs to any ill betray'd.

8 Flee youthful luſts: but follow righteouſneſs, faith, charity, peace with them that call on the Lord out of a pure heart. 2 Tim. 2. 22.
Teach us to walk inceſſant,—ſo as to thee is pleaſant:—hallow'd throughout may we appear—in childlike order, godly fear.

9 Be not partaker of other men's ſins. 1 Tim. 5. 22.
But to falſe ſpir'ts a heavy load.

10 Continue thou in the things which thou haſt learned, and haſt been aſſured of. 2 Tim. 3. 14.
That daily more the way we trace—to live a life of happineſs.

Week XLII. 17 S. aft. Trin.

11 The Lord give thee underſtanding in all things. 2 Tim. 2. 7.
Sound underſtanding—which doth each matter ſuit,—is to a ſoldier—needful beyond diſpute.

12 Fight the good fight of faith, lay hold on eternal life, whereunto thou art alſo called. 1 Tim. 6. 12.
Take me into thy hand anew,—out of which none is plucked,—by which the victors were brought thro',—and warriors are conducted.

13 Be not thou aſhamed of the teſtimony of our Lord, nor of me his priſoner. 2 Tim. 1. 8.

Chriſt's reproach is full of glory,—ignominious it can't be.

14 Endure hardſhip as a good ſoldier of Jeſus Chriſt. 2 Tim. 1. 3.

Lord, teach us thanks to offer,—when we for thy ſake ſuffer.

15 War a good warfare; holding faith and a good conſcience. 1 Tim. 1. 18, 19.

With undaunted reſolution,—chriſtian heart!—where thou art,—ſtand without confuſion!

16 Faithful is he that calleth you, who alſo will do it. 1 Theſſ. 5. 24.

Thine am I both in fleſh and ſoul,—can ſin or death me now controul?—I on a faithfulneſs do lean,—beyond what's found in mortal men.

17 By the grace of God I am what I am: and his grace which was beſtowed upon me was not in vain. 1 Cor. 15. 10.

Ev'ry hour,—I would pour—my tears on his feet, hymns raiſing,—thankful without ceaſing.

Week XLIII. 18 S. aft. Trin.

18 The gifts and calling of God are without repentance. Rom. 11. 29.

Let me thine be and 'bide, my God!—Me and the congregation—I do commend to thee, thy blood—preſerve thy blood-bought nation.

19 He that glorieth, let him glory in the Lord. 1 Cor. 1. 31.

I glory in nothing but in the wounds bloody.

20 We ought not to pleaſe ourſelves; for even Chriſt pleaſed not himſelf. Rom. 15. 1, 3.

From all ſelf-complacency, preſerve us, O dear Lord and God!

21 Mind

21 Mind not high things, but condeſcend to men of low eſtate. Rom. 12 16.

An heart to duſt inclined.

22 Be ye angry and ſin not; let not the ſun go down upon your wrath. Eph. 4. 26.

Grant us, O deareſt Lamb,—meekneſs and inward ſhame,—and yet zeal godly.

23 Be no more toſſed to and fro, and carried away with every wind of doctrine, by the ſleight of men, and cunning craftineſs, whereby they lie in wait to deceive. Eph. 4 14.

Put far from thy people all ſeducers! Hear us, O dear Lord and God!

24 Therefore, brethren, ſtand faſt, and hold the traditions which ye have been taught. 2 Theſſ. 2. 15.

O come, Lord Jeſus, hear our pray'r,—thou cauſe of our election high!—the Brethren's church do thou prepare.

Week XLIV. 19 S. aft. Trin.

25 Bear ye one another's burdens, and ſo fulfil the law of Chriſt. Gal. 6. 2.

Thus let us rejoice and love with all our hearts,—and ſweeten each others diſtreſſes and ſmarts.

26 Having a miniſtry, let us wait on our miniſtering. Rom. 12. 7.

And do that work with pleaſure,—which in our call and meaſure,—our God for us to do ordain'd.

27 Thanks be unto God, which always cauſeth us to triumph in Chriſt, and maketh manifeſt the ſavour of his knowledge by us in every place. 2 Cor. 2. 14.

Go therefore, paint his ſuff'ring,—how he, to be our off'ring—bore death's ſo bitter pain.

28 We wreſtle not againſt fleſh and blood, but againſt principalities, againſt powers, againſt the rulers of the darkneſs of this world, againſt ſpiritual wickedneſs in high places. Eph. 6. 12.

We dare the world-god's pow'r,—let him look ne'er ſo ſour:—what can he attempt?—has he not been condemn'd?—one word will make him tumble.

29 Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth, and having on the breaſt-plate of righteouſneſs; and your feet ſhod with the preparation of the goſpel of peace. Eph. 6. 14, 15.

Grant weapons of thy making!

30 Above all, taking the ſhield of faith, wherewith ye ſhall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked; and take the helmet of ſalvation, and the ſword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. Eph. 6. 16, 17.

When thou'rt watchful and haſt prayed,—venture boldly on Chriſt's blood,—this makes weak men undiſmayed,—and right warriors brave and good.—Jeſu's blood—courage good—gives 'gainſt ſatan's helliſh brood.

31 As many as walk according to this rule, peace be on them and mercy. Gal. 16. 16.

We, who are together here convented,—give our hands this day anew,—that we'll by Chriſt's pangs be cloſe cemented,—and to him will e'er be true.

NOVEMBER.

Week XLV. 20 S. aft. Trin.

1 JEruſalem, which is above, is the mother of us all. Gal. 4. 26.

The folk, who Jeſu's torments preſs,—are there embody'd by degrees.

2 If ye be riſen with Chriſt, ſeek thoſe things which are above, where Chriſt ſitteth on the right hand of God. Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth. Coloſſ. 3. 1, 2.

From all that's earth I will quite ſever'd be,—ſince of his bride a member he made me.

3 If a man alſo ſtrive for maſteries, yet is he not crowned, except he ſtrive lawfully *. 2 Tim. 2. 5.

Jeſus, help, that I—conquer valiantly—all thro' thee,—my Lord and Lover,—and in thy vict'ry diſcover—how thou valiantly—wreſtled haſt for me.

* According to rule and order.

4 No man that warreth, entangleth himſelf with the affairs of this life, that he may pleaſe him who hath choſen him to be a ſoldier. 2 Tim. 2. 4.

For this end are we—that we exalt the Lamb,—'midſt all perplexity—and all reproach and ſhame. —We've ſworn it to the Lamb moſt gracious,—and have been born for this, O Jeſus!

5 What things are gain to me, I counted loſs for Chriſt. Phil. 3. 7.

God's dear Lamb! my ſoul's Bridegroom! beſides thee nothing ſhall ever—pleaſe me, O my Saviour.

6 That

6 That I may know him and the power of his reſurrection and the fellowſhip of his ſufferings, being made conformable unto his death; if by any means I might attain unto the reſurrection of the dead. Phil. 3. 10, 11.

I 'bide in him and he in me,—eternal life he hath for me—by his death cruel purchas'd.

7 I forget thoſe things which are behind, and reach forth unto thoſe things which are before; I preſs toward the mark, for the prize of the high calling of God in Chriſt Jeſus. Phil. 3. 13, 14.

Whoever near at hand his nuptial-day doth ſee,—he thinks of nought beſide, all elſe is vanity.

Week XLVI. 21 S. aft. Trin.

8 All that will live godly in Chriſt Jeſus ſhall ſuffer perſecution. 2 Tim. 3. 12.

Come let us follow then the Lord—body and ſoul be off'ring,—chearful and bold, with heart's accord,—be with him alſo ſuff'ring.

9 Unto you it is given in the behalf of Chriſt, not only to believe on him, but alſo to ſuffer for his ſake. Phil. 1. 29.

It is thro' ſcorn and jeers,—at length, the crown each wears.—O eaſy yoke, O burthen light;—bleſt he, who bears thee with delight.

10 We always bear about in the body the dying of the Lord Jeſus, that the life alſo of Jeſus might be made manifeſt in our body. 2 Cor. 4. 10.

We're dying here, and live above.

11 It is a faithful ſaying: for if we be dead with him, we ſhall alſo live with him. If we ſuffer, we ſhall alſo reign with him: if we deny him, he alſo will deny us. 2 Tim. 2. 11, 12.

How great the joy we then ſhall gain,—if faithful we have proved;—and neither ſhame nor croſs's pain—us in the leaſt have moved.

12 What

12 Whatſoever things were written aforetime were written for our learning, that we through patience and comfort of the ſcriptures might have hope. Rom. 15 4.

Thou holieſt Light, Guide divine!—let the word of life unto us ſhine.

13 All the promiſes of God in him are yea, and in him amen, unto the glory of God by us. 2 Cor. 1. 20.

Whate'er he ſays, we all can guarantee,—his deeds and words for ever do agree,—on this each may depend with certainty.

14 If we believe not, yet he abideth faithful: he cannot deny himſelf. 2 Tim. 2. 13.

O let our ſouls not moved be—out of thy arms, O Saviour!—but late and early ſhew to us—thy mercy and thy favour.

Week XLVII. 22 S. aft. Trin.

15 I am perſuaded that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things preſent, nor things to come, nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, ſhall be able to ſeparate us from the love of God which is in Chriſt Jeſus our Lord. Rom. 8. 38, 39.

There's nought that me can part from Jeſus,—in life's or death's viciſſitude;—I lay my hand in his ſide precious,—and ſay, Thou'rt my Lord, and my God!

16 Not that we are ſufficient of ourſelves, to think any thing as of ourſelves; but our ſufficiency is of God. 2 Cor. 3. 5.

Each good work or meditation—needeth thy own preparation.

17 My

17 My grace is ſufficient for thee: for my ſtrength is made perfect in weakneſs. 2 Cor. 12. 9.

Who'd on all occaſions—to be ſinner chuſe,—he'd be ever bleſſed,—chearful, eaſy, free.

18 Who ſhall ſeparate us from the love of Chriſt? ſhall tribulation, or diſtreſs, or perſecution, or famine, or nakedneſs, or peril, or ſword? nay, in all theſe things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us. Rom. 8. 35, 37.

Come death, pain,—with all your train;—your aſſaults ſhall but diſcover—how I love my Lover.

19 By him the world is crucified unto me, and I unto the world. Gal. 6. 14.

Unto thy praiſe my all I'll gladly venture,—upon thy ſhame and croſs I'll freely enter.

20 I die daily. 1 Cor. 15. 31.

Let us in our body bear—our dear Saviour's dying, —that his life may, even here,—us be vivifying.

21 I ſuffer trouble as an evil-doer, even unto bonds; but the word of God is not bound. 2 Tim. 2. 9.

His work no one can hinder.

Week XLVIII. 23 S. aft. Trin.

22 I know that this ſhall turn to my ſalvation through your prayer and the ſupply of the Spirit of Jeſus Chriſt. Phil. 1. 19.

And therefore, O church, which God owneth, be praying—for all thoſe who ſerve him.—His grace be diſplaying.

23 We look not at the things which are ſeen, but at the things which are not ſeen: for the things which

which are ſeen are temporal, but the things which are not ſeen are eternal. 2 Cor. 4. 18.

What tho' this time ſeems long to me:—ev'n here
I'm in eternity,—becauſe I live in Jeſus.

24 We glory in tribulation alſo, knowing that tribulation worketh patience; and patience, experience; and experience, hope; and hope maketh not aſhamed. Rom. 5. 3, 4, 5.

Let us our dear Leader praiſe—for all trials in
paſt days,—and for thoſe which time diſplays,
—and thoſe which now preſent are.

25 Rejoicing in hope; patient in tribulation; continuing inſtant in prayer. Rom. 12. 12.

The man that's truly wiſe and juſt,—makes God,
and God alone, his truſt.

26 All things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his promiſe. Rom. 8. 28.

God who has choſen us indeed,—he knows of what
each ſtands in need.

27 God is faithful, who will not ſuffer you to be tempted above that ye are able, but will with the temptation alſo make a way to eſcape, that ye may be able to bear it. 1 Cor. 10. 13.

He knows our ſhape,—how weak and frail our na-
ture is.

28 If we be dead with Chriſt, we believe we ſhall alſo live with him. Rom. 6. 8.

Soon comes the happy period,—when you thro' his
wound's merit—ſhall live with him who once
was dead.

Week

Week XLIX. 1 S. in Advent.

29 I reckon that the ſufferings of this preſent time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which ſhall be revealed in us. Rom. 8. 18.

Eternity draws nigh,—there all is fill'd with joy;
—joy endleſs to me floweth,—becauſe my heart
Chriſt knoweth,—joy will be my employ

30 Now unto the King eternal, immortal, inviſible, the only wiſe God, be honour and glory for ever and ever. Amen. 1 Tim. 1. 17.

Holy is our Lord God,—holy is our Lord God,—holy
is our Lord God,—the Lord of ſabaoth!

DECEMBER.

1 CHriſt Jeſus is of God made unto us redemption. 1 Cor. 1. 30.

His patients at the healing-ponds—come all into
health's happy bounds.

2 We that are in this tabernacle do groan, being burdened. 2 Cor. 5. 4.

What here ſickens, ſighs and groans,—there o'er
death will ſtand victorious.

3 Though our outward man periſh, yet the inward man is renewed day by day. 2 Cor. 4. 16.

Until we are quite prepar'd,—our tents break, and
we, thro' grace,—ſhall behold him face to face.

4 We walk by faith, not by ſight: we are confident, and willing rather to be abſent from the body, and to be preſent with the Lord; wherefore we labour, that whether preſent or abſent, we may be accepted of him. 2 Cor. 5. 7, 8, 9.

Grant me to lean unſhaken—on thy fidelity,—until
from hence I'm taken,—thee, faithful One, to ſee.

5 We

5 We alſo which have the firſt-fruits of the Spirit; even we ourſelves groan within ourſelves, waiting for the adoption, to wit, the redemption of our body. Rom. 8. 23.

We for a time and ſcene now wait,—after theſe days are run,—which us with higher joys ſhall ſate:—ah, were it now begun!

Week L. 2 S. in Advent.

6 I have a deſire to depart and to be with Chriſt. Phil. 1. 23.

And the hours are ſpent in tender waiting,—each pulſe, till the laſt, t'wards his heart beating.

7 The Lord ſhall deliver me from every evil work, and will preſerve me unto his heavenly kingdom. 2 Tim. 4. 18.

To our hearts how will it then be pleaſing,—when we, our labour done, reſt without ceaſing—in his dear wounds.

8 He ſhall change our vile body, that it may be faſhioned like unto his glorious body, according to the working, whereby he is able even to ſubdue all things unto himſelf. Phil. 3. 21.

Then will weakneſs and diſmay—be for ever done away.

9 We know that if our earthly houſe of this tabernacle were diſſolved, we have a building of God, an houſe not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. 2 Cor. 5. 1.

Thro' th' op'ning of thy ſide convey—our ſouls to thy eternal day.

10 It is ſown in corruption; it is raiſed in incorruption: it is ſown in diſhonour; it is raiſed in glory: it is ſown in weakneſs; it is raiſed in

power: it is ſown a natural body; it is raiſed a ſpiritual body. 1 Cor. 15. 42, 43, 44.

Then is in ſoul and body well,—who here ſtood oft perplext.

11 This corruptible muſt put on incorruption, and this mortal muſt put on immortality. 1 Cor. 15. 53.

This poor body ſurely muſt—moulder and return to duſt,—e'er it can the glory gain,—which for Chriſt's folk doth remain.

12 As we have borne the image of the earthy, we ſhall alſo bear the image of the heavenly. 1 Cor. 15. 49.

Thus may each mortal limb,—in the grave's chamber,—hope to become like him,—ſince it's his member.

Week LI. 3 S. in Advent.

13 If the Spirit of him that raiſed up Jeſus from the dead dwell in you, he that raiſed up Chriſt from the dead ſhall alſo quicken your mortal bodies by his Spirit that dwelleth in you. Rom. 8. 11.

Be then of good cheer! I know—Jeſus bears you, O my members!—To ſad thoughts no room allow;—tho' you die, he you remembers.

14 We ſhall not all ſleep, but we ſhall all be changed. 1 Cor. 15. 51.

Then ev'ry ſinner,—who, in this time of grace,—is now a winner—by his death, to his praiſe,—who have preſerv'd the ſinner's treaſure,—they'll feaſt their eyes, ears, and hearts, with pleaſure.

15 Now

15 Now is Chriſt riſen from the dead, and become the firſt-fruits of them that ſlept. 1 Cor. 15. 20.

Since he from death aroſe, the grave—cannot confine me ever.

16 Every man in his own order, Chriſt the firſt-fruits; afterward they that are Chriſt's, at his coming. 1 Cor. 15. 23.

Can the head forſake its limb,—and not draw it after him?

17 The Lord himſelf ſhall deſcend from heaven with a ſhout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God. 1 Theſſ. 4. 16.

Come then, thou precious Crown! — Lord Jeſu, God's dear Son!—Hoſanna!

18 He ſhall come to be glorified in his ſaints, and to be admired in all them that believe. 2 Theſſ. 1. 10.

Thoſe who in all ages paſt,—in the true faith have breath'd their laſt.

19 The Lord Jeſus Chriſt ſhall judge the quick and the dead at his appearing and his kingdom. 2 Tim. 4. 1.

Grant, Jeſu, then my name be found—within thy book unblotted.

Week LII. 4 S. in Advent.

20 The dead in Chriſt ſhall riſe firſt: then we which are alive and remain, ſhall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and ſo ſhall we ever be with the Lord. 1 Theſſ. 4. 16, 17.

And when there the whole bleſſed company,—which to thy paſſion adher'd here ſteadily,—with the

ſweeteſt anthems, ſing forth thy praiſes,—then will be ſounded forth thro' choirs and claſſes,—Blood of the Lamb.

21 Wherefore comfort one another with theſe words. 1 Theſſ. 4. 18.

O yes, the ſtages—of time at length will ceaſe,—eternal ages—will quick, yea quick take place;—and bring the end of time's duration;—that is the end of all perturbation.

22 The Lord, the righteous Judge ſhall give at that day a crown of righteouſneſs unto all them that love his appearing. 2 Tim. 4. 8.

Then the Judge rewards of grace is granting—to thoſe who love him, and for him are panting;—he knows his own, who, his ſeal wearing,—wait his appearing.

23 Having therefore theſe promiſes, let us cleanſe ourſelves from all filthineſs of the fleſh and ſpirit, perfecting holineſs in the fear of God. 2 Cor. 7. 1.

When thou ſhalt on Zion ſtand,—I ſhall be at thy right hand,—without pain,—white and clean,—there, O Lamb, thou'lt to me,—light and temple ever be.

24 When the fulneſs of the time was come, God ſent forth his Son made of a woman, made under the law, to redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the adoption of ſons. Gal. 4. 4, 5.

With the whole merit of thy life, bleſs us, O dear Lord and God!

25 (Chriſt-

25 (Chriſtmas.) Jeſus Chriſt our Lord was made of the ſeed of David according to the fleſh. Rom. 1. 3.

The Son, th' Almighty God confeſs'd,—was in his own world a gueſt.—The everlaſting ſov'reign Good—aſſum'd our feeble fleſh and blood.

26 The pillar and ground of the truth, and without controverſy great is the myſtery of godlineſs; God was manifeſt in the fleſh, juſtified in the ſpirit, ſeen of angels, preached unto the Gentiles, believed on in the world, received up into glory. 1 Tim. 3. 15, 16.

For us thoſe wonders hath he wrought,—to ſhew his love ſurpaſſing thought:—then let us all unite to ſing—praiſe to our new born God and King.

Sunday after Chriſtmas.

27 He muſt reign till he hath put all enemies under his feet. 1 Cor. 15. 15.

Thoſe whom thou'ſt bought with ſweat and pain,—mean while fall down before thee,—thoſe whom thou by thy croſs didſt gain,—with loving hearts adore thee.

28 Now our Lord Jeſus Chriſt himſelf, and God even our Father, which hath loved us, and hath given us everlaſting conſolation and good hope thro' grace, comfort your hearts, and ſtabliſh you in every good word and work. 2 Theſſ. 2. 16, 17.

Amen, to this I utter,—and doubt not in the leaſt,—he'll make us altogether—ſo as can pleaſe him beſt.

29 God ſhall ſupply all your need, according to his riches in glory by Chriſt Jeſus. Phil. 4. 19.

Then we have ev'ry thing howe'er—which us eternally can chear.

30 To him, who only hath immortality, dwelling in the light which no man can approach unto, whom no man hath ſeen nor can ſee, be honour and power everlaſting. Amen. 1 Tim. 6. 16.

By all the hoſts of heav'n, to thee,—by all on earth or in the ſea,—glory and praiſe aſcribed be. —Hallelujah.

31 Grace be with all them, that love our Lord Jeſus Chriſt in ſincerity. Eph. 6. 24.

Thus melted in my heart I move,—while dying here I ſtay,—I feel that he poor me doth love;—the end is wedding-day.

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TABLE OF DAYS, 1772.

I.

Communion Times.	Children's Congregation-Days.
Jan. 25.	*Jan.* 11.
Feb. 22.	*Feb.* 8.
March 21.	*March* 7.
April 16.	*April* 4.
May 16.	*May* 2.
June 13.	*May* 30.
July 11.	*June* 27.
Aug. 8.	*July* 25.
Sept. 5.	*Aug.* 22.
Oct. 3.	*Sept.* 19.
Oct. 31.	*Oct.* 17.
Nov. 28.	*Nov.* 14.
Dec. 26.	*Dec.* 12.

The Congregation-Days will be in each Congregation monthly, either a Fortnight after the H. Communion, or on ſome other ſuitable Day.

II.

Feſtival-Seaſons.

1 of *Jan.* The New Year. Feſtival of the Circumciſion, and of the Name of JESUS.
6 *Jan.* Heathen-Feſtival, called Epiphany.
2 *Feb.* Preſentation of Jeſus in the Temple.
1 *Mar.* Lent commences.

24 *March,*

25 of *March*, Festival of Christ's Incarnation.
12 *April*, Passion-Week.
16 *April*, Maundy-Thursday.
17 *April*, Good-Friday.
18 *April*, Easter-Eve. Great Sabbath.
19 *April*, Easter.
28 *May*, Christ's Ascension.
7 *June*, Whitsunday.
14 *June*, Festival of the Holy Trinity.
24 *June*, John the Baptist.
2 *July*, Visitation of *Mary*.
29 *Sept.* Festival of the Angels.
29 *Nov.* Advent.
24 *Dec.* Christmas-Eve.
25 *Dec.* Christmas.

III.

Memorial-Days.

19 *Jan.* 1733 Mission among the Heathen in *Greenland*.
1 *March* 1456 The Beginning of the Brethren's Church.
12 *May* 1724 The Foundation-Stone of the first Hall for the Congregation in *Herrnhuth* to meet in was laid.
1727 The Agreement touching the first Congregation Order at *Herrnhuth*.
1749 Act of Parliament in *Great-Britain*.
17 *June* 1722 Beginning of the Building of *Herrnhuth* by the first Emigrants out of *Moravia*.
25 *June* 1530 Presentation of the *Augsburg* Confession.
6 *July* 1415 *John Huss* sealed the Testimony of the Gospel by Martyrdom.
13 *Aug.* 1727 Particular Visitation of Grace to the Congregation at the holy Communion in the Church at *Berthelsdorf*.
21 *Aug.* 1732 First Heathen Mission, viz. among the Negroes in *St. Thomas's*.
27 *Aug.* 1727 Beginning of the Hourly Intercession.
16 *Sept.* 1741 Disciple-Day.
31 *Oct.* 1517 Beginning of *Luther*'s Reformation.
13 *Nov.* 1741 Happy Experience of the Elder's Office of Jesus in the Brethren's Congregation.

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Some Doctrinal and other memorable Days of the Brethren's Church.

For all Choirs, 25 *March*, 4 *June*.
The little Boys, 24 *June*.
The little Girls, 17 *Aug*.
All the Children, 10 *Sept*.
The great Boys, 12 *Jan*. 24 *Aug*.
The great Girls, 25 *March*, 24 *Aug*.
The Single Brethren, 29 *Aug*. 24 *May*.
The Single Sisters, 4 *May*, 11 *Sept*.
The Married Choir, 7, 8, 9 *Sept*. 8 *May*.
The Sisters that are blessed with Pregnancy, 2 *July*, 25 *Dec*.
The Widowers, 2 *Feb*. 31 *Aug*.
The Widows, 2 *Feb*. 12 *Sept*.

For those who have been Received and Baptized this Year, 26 *April*.
those who have partaken of the holy Communion for the first Time with the Congregation, 3 *May*.
the Acoluths, 3 *Nov*.
Of our Communion with the Church triumphant, *Nov*. 1.